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Where Are You?

I've smiled and even ruefully laughed,
but since losing you,
I have not known or felt that sweet, deep churning
of pure joy as one of us instigated a playful game we both won.

I'm so afraid that I'll never again know that kind of love,
that completely remarkable bliss in simply being together.

Where did you go, my playmate, my great, great love?
I can't find you, search as I may.

Who is lost, you or me?

Virginia Young is a former newspaper reporter and writer of fiction. I can't call myself a poet. Free verse is very much like writing a mini story; I find myself drawn to brief thoughts when I've lost someone or something important to my life. My short suspense has been published through Level Best in 2010 and 2012, and I have two contracts for novels. *I Call Your Name*, a romantic suspense set on Martha's Vineyard will be making its debut through Mainly Murder Press in August of 2013 and a young adult novel, *Nocturnal*, will be published through Double Dragon Publishing in early 2014.