

## **Prognostics**

As she predicted, at thirty-nine his eyes  
turned hazel and he became a Virgo  
(his father's sign), his former life as a Libra  
(his mother's sign) a destiny not in the stars.

Nonetheless, death seduced him:  
soft skin and bones, meaningful glances,  
miscellaneous obsolescences  
like love, perfection, greed for the lost cause.