LOST FRIEND

I stood and watched him,
As he got in his car to leave,
Wondering if ever I’d see him again,
On that last New Year’s eve.

He really didn’t have far to go,
But his step wasn’t as light,
As I thought of the years gone by,
As he got in and drove out of sight.

We had been friends for many a year,
It was difficult to see him go,
How many times we’d encouraged each other,
Since we met all those years before.

“I'll tell him next time I see him,
Just how much he has meant to me,
How life wouldn’t have been nearly as good
If it had not been for him, you see.”

Then the phone rang at two A. M.,
The news was the saddest yet,
On the way home he met a drunk driver,
The story I will never forget.

So dear friends, if you have someone close,
That means the world to you,
Let them know now, today, while you can,
Or you might regret all your life thru.
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