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LIVING WITH PASSION

The ancient Greeks
No obituaries fashioned.
They asked only this,
Did he live life with passion?

Did he honor his parents,
And love his dear wife?
Did he fight for Athens,
In times of great strife?

Did he give to his children,
The wisdom of ages?
Did he guide their small feet
Through the rocks of life's stages?

To friends was he loyal,
To enemies strong?
In challenge, a leader
Who knew right from wrong?

Did he bring only honor,
To his native land?
To all in true need,
Did he lend a fair hand?

If the answers are yes
To these simple queries,
Then he's gone now to heaven,
With comrades, not furies.

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