

***Almost there – Franklin D. – 09/01/2026***

How does it feel like dying?  
Some say it's like flying,  
though I'm drenched in pain.

Is it an eternal slumber?  
Do I then become a number?  
Does my soul cease to be?

I think, perhaps, it's like silence.  
that comes after the violence,  
that lives within us.

It's like your cells decided  
to release you from the jail  
that is your body and mind.

So now I'm alive and well,  
and then I'm dead, and well if I might say so.  
There's nothing more but to sleep.

We've slept in darkness all our lives;  
why are we now afraid of that same darkness  
from now on?

You're not going to notice,  
it'll pass, you'll see.  
What comes after that?

I've no idea.  
No one does, as it seems.  
Whatever it is, we're eternally almost there.