## My Home Town

When I was growing up I wanted to travel far away From my home town. It was only a small place And I thought it was Not where I would be found.

So when I finished school I made it a point to get away. I traveled far, to distant shores And I thought I was living The good life and doing well While I was making my scores.

Oh, I saw many things, and I accomplished many deeds As well. But one day while Drinking at a small bar The errant thought appeared That I could no longer smile.

What was this? I was happy, Or so I thought, but what was the meaning to what I was now doing? Was that How would I be remembered? So, in that bar, I began to cry.

So I sought many wise men Who were no help, for when I asked what must I do? They all said the same words, Or so it seemed; which were: Your life is not about you.

I pondered these words at last, And finally I began to understand That perhaps I had been wrong; That I had things all backwards. And so I began another journey To my home town, where I belong. - *My Home Town* © Leonard Yarbrough, 1998