

Elegy

-Miguel Hernandez-

Yo quiero ser llorando el hortelano
de la tierra que ocupas y estercolas,
compañero del alma, tan temprano.

Alimentando lluvias, caracolas
y órganos mi dolor sin instrumento,
a las desalentadas amapolas

daré tu corazón por alimento.
Tanto dolor se agupa en mi costado
que por doler me duele hasta el aliento.

*I want to be the grieving gardener
of the earth you fill and fertilize,
my dearest friend, so soon.*

*With rain and snails my stifled sorrow
nourishes the organs of your body
and I would feed your heart*

*the drooping poppies. Pain bunches up
between my ribs till every breath I draw
becomes an aching stitch.*

—translation by Edwin Honig (from *The Unending Lightning*, 1990)

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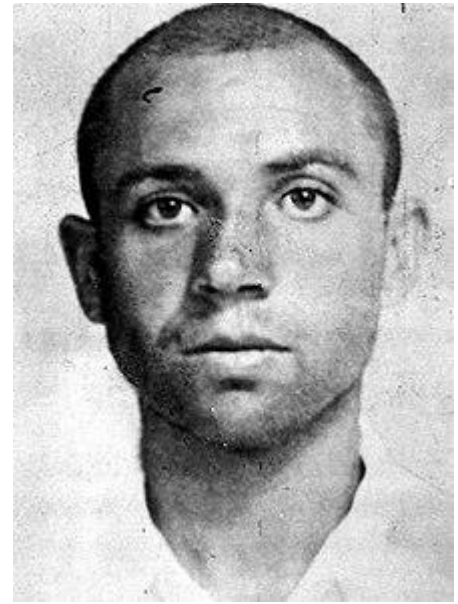
Biography Research

Sources : https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Miguel_Hernandez
<https://www.poetryfoundation.org/poets/miguel-hernandez>

Miguel Hernandez

Early Life:

- Born: 30 October 1910
- Place of Birth: Orihuela,Spain
- Received little formal education
- Parents:Miguel Sanchez-Father,Conception Gilabert-Mother



Family Life

- First Job:Goatherd and farmhand
- Married:Josefina Manresa
- Children:Ramon Hernandez,Miguel Hernandez

Works

- Poetry:
 - Perito en lunas
 - El rayo que no cesa
 - Viento del pueblo
- Drama:
 - Teatro en la Guerra
 - Pastor de la muerta
 - Hijos de la pierda

3 Interesting Facts:

- Fought in the Spanish Civil War
- Arrested for anti-fascist sympathies
- Prominent figure In the generation Of 36'

End of life:

- Died of Tuberculosis
- Died in prison