

# Tribute

To the 44<sup>th</sup> President of the United States of America



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*He was the future once unthinkable  
The dream unlikely ever to come true  
The ship of prejudice unsinkable  
The day our history would never rue;  
He was the hour clock would never strike  
The past entrenched, committed not to yield  
The time the nation never would be like  
The status quo irrevocably sealed;  
But in one moment all that could not be  
The hands that would not, raised themselves and cast  
The ballots east to west and sea to sea  
That set the past and future free at last  
Gave us a present beautifully spacious  
Obama tall and smiling, Barack gracious.*

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