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Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt
Hyde Park, New York

My dear Mrs. Roosevelt:

Shortly after the passi
away of your husband I have
the poem following. I
can never put into words
ing the love I had for him.

Please except this poe--
which I give to you.

My Friend

I've known FDR,
With his courage great.
He stood like a guiding star,
With Eleanor as his mate.

II

It was he who told us not to fear,
When that was all we had.
He took the reins and steered us clear,
He drove the Republicans half mad.

III

The New Deal he introduced,
and the people followed.

It was the power of good that was left
loose,
And it was for people swallowed.

IV

He told us to exterminate the germ
of war,
to the enemy and make
him disappear,
- did not heed his word then so
Hitler took more and more.
The world continued in fear.

V

When war came,
And the days were black.
He gave the order to seek out the
the enemy and make him
lame.
With our chief we watched the
victories stack.

VI

Unto us he gave the Economic
Bill of Rights
The Four Freedoms, and security.

The people learned to know their
own powers,
And grew to maturity

VII

He brought us to the triumphant'
victory,
But in April he slept.
Perhaps he would have said
that day "My friends:
Our hearts are sad because his
stopped before that day.
Our friend is gone.

Very truly yours,
Herman Sider