



## **My past's encased in amber**

My past's encased in amber:  
An ancient parasite  
That holds a single drop of blood  
That can be brought to life

Jurassic Park bred raptors,  
Mine more fearsome yet:  
Failure fears that destroy nerve.  
I folded, did not bet.

"I coulda been contender!"  
*On Waterfront* lament.  
"And yet you saw some money, kid."  
(And money's not all spent.)

The past is best forgotten  
Let sleeping monsters lie  
Fast in amber keep my past  
And let old memories die.