

connie

Connie completed the fading into death
this afternoon.
She has always lived in her young mind,
always was a black sheep,
raising black sheep,
always wanted to know,
always hungry for education,
NO MATTER WHAT!
WHATEVER IT TOOK!
Deaf to CAN'T,
to dumb rules!

No time for social frills,
no time for BS,
no time for limits.
Just time for deadpan joy of just everyday,
for no-nonsense love,
for pushing and demanding for
possibilities.

She bit,
or pretended not to hear,
just going for what's right
like a tank...
running you over.

You were a fool
if you believed
her mcgoo act!

Hero? Yes!
Always growing beyond
working in a doctor's office,
after getting a college education,
after the leaving of Jim,
threatened by his black sheep wife,
after pushing me onto THE REAL WORLD,

after raising Jerry and me,
after getting out of Utah as a free thinker!

Just taking Tums and aspirins,

Connie at 79 lived a very rich life...
always young in life...

now always
will be young!

Jerry and I are so lucky

to be in the black sheep family of
CONNIE!

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