

[excerpt]

# MY EARLIEST MEMORY

for baritone and piano

for Ricky

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[sound sample begins in m. 9]

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**Slow and reflective**  
♩ = 69

*held back*      *poco accel.*      *rit.*

Voice

Piano

*mf*      *mp*      *p espr.*      *mf*      *mp*      *p sub.*      *mp*      *p delicato*

*slow grace notes*      *slow grace notes*

*Ped.*

5 *a tempo*      *held back*      *a tempo*      *poco accel.*      *rit.*

9 ♩ = 56

[sound sample begins here]

I am fly - ing — through the air, —

\*The tenuto line indicates a slight accentuation.

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— = *Ped.*

— — — = *una corda*

13 *mf*

held up as a one-year-old in my grand-mo-ther's right hand, — her arm straight

*mf*

16 *f espr.* *poco rit.* **Largo**  $\text{♩} = 44$  *p*  $\leftarrow (\text{♩}) =$

up — as — she lies in — her bed, try - ing to make me

*f espr.* *p espr.* *pp*

19  $\text{♩} \rightarrow$  *pp* *rit.*

quit — cry - ing. —

*p* *pp*