

Sue

I reached for you
dancing
Samba NGO out of the Congo
my feet flying
arms reaching and
the blend of the music
shaped me to reach up to you

Can't Stop Now
Eddie Shaw Chicago
I was dancing like crazy
and you and the rest of the Universe
were in my moving bones
It felt so good
can't stop now

At the beginning I reached up for you
then at the end
Forbidden Forest first song
one of the quiet parts
I was twirling
arms up in a slow spin
and there you were
your face
and then your whole presence
floating down

all of you
went through me
something I knew
and I was dancing

Thank you

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for my sister, Sue

*who died on the night of the last full moon
of summer in 2007; this poem is something that
actually happened one night when I was mourning
. . . and dancing*