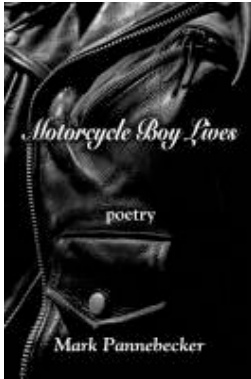




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*to a boy in my neighborhood*

i was a man  
when i fell and bled  
and did not cry

i was a man  
at a turkey shoot  
when i shot my first gun

i was a man  
in a fight in junior high  
the first time i hit a boy in the face

i was a man  
on my bicycle  
the first time i got drunk

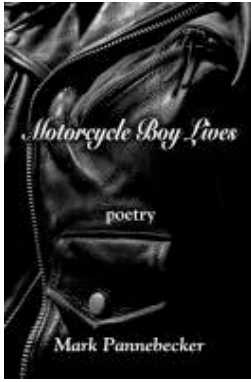
i was a man  
in an empty park  
the first time i had sex

i was a man

when i was told  
to be a man

i was a man  
to be a man  
and nothing more

but now, being a man,  
i don't understand  
what was wanted from a boy



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