

# I Am Not There

SATB Chorus and Piano

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**Flowing**  $\text{♩} = 62$

The musical score consists of four staves. The top two staves are for the piano, with the right hand in treble clef and the left hand in bass clef. The piano part is labeled "pedal throughout". The bottom two staves are for the vocal parts, with the soprano in treble clef and the alto in bass clef. The vocal parts begin with a "Solo" section, indicated by a bracket above the soprano staff. The lyrics are:

*Solo*

Do not stand at my grave and weep;

I am not there, I do not sleep.

Do not stand at my grave and cry;

I am not there,

I am not there,

cresc.

cresc.

The score includes measure numbers 1 through 12, dynamic markings (p, cresc.), and performance instructions like "pedal throughout". The vocal parts enter at measure 5, and the piano parts continue throughout the piece.

13                   14                   15

I am not there. I did not die.

*SATB*

16 **p**                   17                   18

Do not stand at my grave and weep; I am not there, I  
I am not there, I

19                   20                   21

do not sleep. Do not stand at my grave and cry; I

cresc.

22                            23

I am not there,  
cresc.

I am not there,

24                            25                            26

I am not there, I did not die. I

rit.

27                            28                            29 Flowing ♩ = 72

did not die.

*mp*

*SA unison*

*mp*

I am a thou - sand

30

31

I am a thou - sand

winds that blow,  
I am the dia - mond

34

glints on snow.

*mp*

I am a thou - sand

36

winds that blow,

37

I am the dia - mond

38

I am the winds that

39

glints on snow.

40

blow,

41

I am the winds that

42 *rit.*

**I am the sun.**

**I am the**

**blow.**

**Oo**

**f**

**f**

**f**

**rit.**

Musical score for piano and voice. The score consists of two staves. The top staff is for the voice, starting with a treble clef, a key signature of four sharps, and a tempo marking of 44. The lyrics are: sun on rip - ened grain, followed by a measure ending with a fermata over the word grain. The bottom staff is for the piano, starting with a bass clef and a key signature of three sharps. The music features eighth-note patterns in the right hand and sustained notes in the left hand. Measure 45 begins with a repeat sign and a '8' above the staff, indicating a repeat of the previous section.

46

I am the gently falling

3

47

rain.

rit.

fall - ing rain.

When you a - *p*

fall - ing rain.

rit.

Slower  $\text{♩} = 62$

wak - en in the morn-ing's hush, I am the

$\frac{8}{8}$

swif - up - lift - ing rush of birds, of qui - et birds,

*p*

of qui - et birds in cir - cled flight.

*rit.*

*A unison pp*

I am the soft stars

that shine\_ at night,

67

I am the sweet birds.

68

in\_\_\_

69

cir -

70

aled flight.

71

div. *p*

I am the soft stars.

72

73

that shine -

74

at night,

*Soprano*

75 I am the sweet birds in\_\_\_

*Alto*

76 I am the sweet birds in\_\_\_

*p*

77 cir - cled flight. 78 - 79 cresc.

cir - led delight. Oo\_\_\_\_\_

*cresc.*

80

81

82

Sop. *mf* cresc.

83 Ah

Alto *mf* cresc.

Ah

Ten. *mf* cresc.

8 Ah

Bass *mf* cresc.

Ah

*mf* cresc.

85 rit.

I did not

I did not

I did not

*rit.*

div.

*a tempo*

87 ***ff***

88

die.  
I did not die, I did not

die, I did not die.

89 ***ff***

*a tempo*

90 ***ff***

91

die.  
I did not die, I did not die.  
I did not die.  
I did not die,  
I did not die.

8  
I did not die.

92

I did not die.  
I did not die.

89 ***ff***

90 ***ff***

91

die.  
I did not die, I did not die.  
I did not die,  
I did not die.

8  
I did not die.

92

I did not die.  
I did not die.

89 ***ff***

90 ***ff***

91

die.  
I did not die, I did not die.  
I did not die,  
I did not die.

8  
I did not die.

92

I did not die.  
I did not die.

die, I did not die.

did not die. I did not die I did not die, I did not die.

die. I did not die.

not die. I did not die.

*SATB unison  
a tempo  
**fff***

Do not stand at my grave and weep,

I am not there I do not sleep.

S.A. 99

Do not stand at my grave and cry,

T.B.

*p*

I am not there, I am not there,

*rit.*

I am not there, I did not die.

*mf*

*rit.*

*mf*

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