November Song

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Only a few brave remnants of yesterday's glory Still cling trembling to the trees, Their brown and wilted sisters lie curling, dying Beneath our careless feet.

The farewell party that brought such joy Is now but a wistful memory.

Their lush green gowns at Summer's passing, And dressed themselves in new Fall finery In hues of scarlet, orange and yellow-gold, Celebrating Autumn in their colors bold. And whispered merrily as we walked by ... Look at me! Look at me! Am I not a sight to see?

But then the cerulean blue luster of the sky Began to fade to shades of grey.
And the leaves too lost their brilliant hues, As one by one let go of Mother Tree, And silently fell to Earth to fade away To the somber shades we see today.

The trees will sleep away the Winter's cold To await the coming Spring. And then rejoice in their awakening, To the hope and joy Of new beginnings.