

# Stoic Sediment

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The quintessential American man  
Is a *rightful king* who rules *his land*  
If everything is not, he can pretend it's ok  
Life's a good time, don't get in the way

The American woman is not so ideal for the American man  
While he attempts to prove himself, proudly, coldly  
She doesn't understand, does *ANYTHING* she can  
To take him from the luxuries of his *deserved wealth*

It's all he can do to deny it  
How else can a man get peace and quiet?  
Keep her naked, in the dark, to eternally shiver  
Don't want to be no 'Indian giver'

The wife is the corpse in the frozen river  
The big catch dragged from the river shore  
What is denied both one and the other  
Unashamedly given to the masculine law

There is only a place on this stage for a threatened lady  
Hush, hush and hide her in hair, make-up and triviality  
Dress up death, act out the show, and pay the fee  
Keep going, all is fine, there is justice here, you'll see

### About the author

Shane Carey is completing a double major in English and history with a minor in photojournalism, after years of disability care and narrative therapy in wilderness settings. At present Shane believes his interests may lead to creating spaces for people to share stories and promote personal growth in an educational setting.