We Can Be

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If every man is an island
A singular author
May be his constellation

You
Katie Maurice
Lucy Gray and
I with my power to fly

Know

Every restorative for sadness
Is transitory
And there I have you
Right to the last letter

Under our common sky
Beyond the deepest turning of stars
We can be

Imaginary friends

Storms pass and gather
And are gathering again
Children

How would it be to
Fly with your imaginary friend

Image of the poet with his granddaughter.

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