The Great Lover

for Baritone voice, clarinet & piano

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Quiet and Reflective

\( q = 60 \)

\[ \text{mp I have been} \]

\( q = 60 \)

\[ \text{mp} \]

\[ \text{cresc.} \]

\[ \text{dim.} \]

Suddenly Quick/Spirited

\( j = 72 \)

\[ \text{ff} \]

\[ \text{p} \]
mf filled my days

f so proudly with the splendor

of love's praise

mf The pain

rit.
the calm and the astonishment, De

sis re il li mi

table and still content,
and all the dear names men use
to cheat despair,
the perplexed and viewless streams that bear Our
hearts at random down the dark of life.

mf Now, ere the silence on
that unthinking strife steals down,

I would cheat drowsy death so far My

night shall be remembered for a star that
out-shone all the suns of all men’s days

Shall I not crown them

rit.
with immortal praise whom I have loved

who have given me dared with me,

dim. p sffz

mf sffz p

dim. p sffz p
accel. $q = 72$

High $mp$

secresets, and in darkness knelt to

dim.

see the
Love is a flame:
we have bea-coned the world's night
and

we have built it, these and I.

An emperor:
124
\( \text{rit.} \)

127
\( j = 70 \)
\( \text{mf} \)

So for their sakes

130
\( \text{cresc.} \)
\( f^1 \)
loved, ere I go hence,

And the high cause of

Love's magnificence,
And to keep loyalties young, I'll write those names Golden forever, Cry ing flames, And set them...
as a banner, that men
may know,
To
dare the generations, burn and blow
Out on the wind of Time,

shining and streaming —