

Tragedy in Comedy

I don't really get comedy,
But tragedy, I understand.
So you'll have to excuse me
For being sad at the occasion
But not the man.
We say he was gone before his time,
And I think about when
He would have finally, truly apologized.
We say death comes in threes,
But I'm thinking of 15,881 gone in one day
And how many I knew.
Maybe some people laugh during tragedy,
But in this case, I just feel rage,
In remembering the joke:
A callous attempt to extract comedy from tragedy
And for what, profit? Attention? Art?
You'll have to excuse me
If I don't make a tribute
Because I already tossed my Iago pillow
Into a funeral pyre I created
The day I saw that tweet
And decided I didn't need to take a joke.