

MEN ARE SO SHALLOW

she got too fat so
he left her

then she found
another man

one who understood
her problem

one who loved her
for herself

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SO I'M NOT HANDY

the house painter
is watching my wife
take a bath.

it's okay, she says,
he's a professional,
this means nothing
to him.

i run outside
and shake the ladder.

he yells down, it's
your trim buddy, and
i ain't doin' it over.

A PERFECT MOMENT

i was buying popcorn
when my ex walked in
with her pudgy balding boyfriend.

she gave me a smirky smile
that said, oh, how sad, Dan's
at the movies all alone.

then this very lovely, barely
legal, girl, came out of
the LADIES and took my arm.

i whispered something to her,
she looked up and said, "you
were married to that?"

— Dan Nielsen

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