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The day couldn't be more beautiful.

Hero among boys. You are a dream making a girl a woman. A mysterious magician moving moments into memory for the purpose of masculinity.

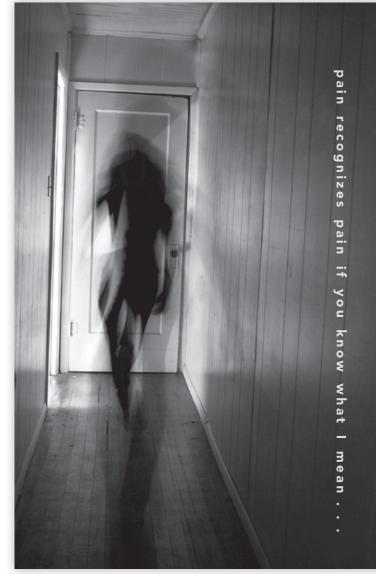
Everyone's favorite son. You are an ordinary evening astonishingly vivid to recall. An account of all things average becoming affluent in popularity.

Respected captain of men. You are that yearbook everyone wants to sign. A notable name never neglecting notions of narcissism.

Pinned down beneath the weight of your determination, I think about the day.

My life changed, my confidence shattered. My innocence stolen. Your hot breath bruises my face, My soul, my body...as does your will.

> The day couldn't be more beautiful. In the absence of emotion.



GHOST IN MY HEAD Meredith Morton