Question

By May Swenson

Body my house my horse my hound what will I do when you are fallen

Where will I sleep How will I ride What will I hunt

Where can I go without my mount all eager and quick How will I know in thicket ahead is danger or treasure when Body my good bright dog is dead

How will it be to lie in the sky without roof or door and wind for an eye

With cloud for shift how will I hide?

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