

ABOUT THE AUTHOR...

*Terri Kaufman is currently a secondary English teacher at Parker High School in Parker, Arizona. This year is her ninth year of teaching English in La Paz county. She also taught for five years in Salome, Arizona, and has taught grades nine through twelve.*

*Reflecting on her writing, Terri says,*

"I write poetry and short stories because writing helps me feel connected and whole. I wrote 'Family' to come to terms with the War in Vietnam. When I was in junior high and high school, the war was always swirling around in the background."

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