

Lucky Life
1945 – 2025*

born at World War's end,
lived till democracy died*
—my life's perfect plan

ancients' pains relieved,
royals' comforts far surpassed,
no predator's lunch

goods and services,
luxuries beyond wonder
with middle class means

great while it lasted,
location and timing worked
—one lucky bastard

future turning dark
as human story unfurls
—I mourn children's fate

* My life's term may continue a few years, but it seems I will survive American democracy.



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