## Abbas a.s.

A silence just for a moment here

A second that seems to last a year

Only the wind blows all else is still

Scorching heat yet I feel a cold chill

Do they realise who they have killed

A man whose void will never be filled

Oh Abbas i sent you for water
Instead you were sent to your slaughter
All we wanted was to quench our thirst
May those who killed you always be cursed
Oh they struck you down where you had stood
Left you in a pool of your own blood

I sit and hold your head in embrace

Why can I not recognise your face

Oh Abbas you've been torn limb from limb

Blood covered sand with pieces of skin

What happened to your body my brother

Where is your left arm, where is the other

What is it that I can say to your niece
That her uncle is not in one piece
How am I expected to explain
That not only her thirst will remain
But her uncle Abbas has been slain
The thirst the sadness and all the pain

Sakinah your uncle was thirsty

And yet he still did not drink any

It was in such close proximity

But he remembered his family

He then threw it back so selflessly

I can't drink when they don't have any

On your return someone cowardly

Struck you hard from where you could not see

They started to sever one arm first

Then struck the second may they be cursed

Only your mouth to hold it remained

But an arrow came and the water was drained

The poet Saeed Alhakeem asks for your dua