

Let's Not Forget

"Let's not forget", I've said in which feels like a million times

We cannot forget, and I will not let you forget the stories

The thousands of lives that have passed without a candle lit,

I won't let them forget about all the lives still living,
the ones who have transcended into eternity

I'll let them know you faced suicide 7x more than anyone else around

I'll let them know you were the strongest as
you faced the whole world's fear on your own

I'll let them know you battled your way to survive
as you fought for your life each and every day

I'll let them know how you did the best you
could as you became another statistic

How the streets were cruel to you as you sought opportunity

I'll let them know how the world gave you no chances,
how you were preyed

How the world shut doors in your face because you were different

How you stood with honor in your bruises, how you had no choice

How the streets showed you survival of the fittest, smartest

I'll let them know how much your rainbow shined
as they tried to take it from you

I'll never let them forget how you touched everyone you met

You showed them with grace and strength what
it was to be a survivor with compassion

Your legacy lives on in the awareness of your story

In truth of your darkest times as the world closed its eyes

You sacrificed your whole life

I'll never let them forget,

You lived your truth, lived dangerously brave

Let's not forget, I'll never let them forget you

*In loving memory of Selena,
a beautiful soul*

