Collateral

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I took you like a pill. Didn't even need water to wash you down. As soon as you touched my tongue, the damage began. The cheating, the lies, and the abuse. You just couldn't wait. But I stayed. I stayed hoping you would just love me. Love me more than I hate myself. Then, I stayed longer because I thought that was your way of showing love. But I was wrong. The hatred you had wasn't for me. It was for yourself, And I was just collateral damage.