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A day, not unlike today, the sun piercing through the clouds
Heavens smiled upon the earth
And bestowed a gift to the world named Benone Pusca
Hard life he must live
Communist Era he must brave
Struggle for subsistence he must endure
Struggle for freedom thrust upon him
Through it all his spirit soared

Like all rare gifts from above
He must transcend his circumstances
From the valley deep below, he ascended to his mountain top
From the rear, he pierced to the fore
Strong were the waves, dangerous were the currents
But undeterred was the spirit that must prevail

Rare was the gift from above
A restless advocate turned formidable judge
Brilliant legal mind who rendered justice for the deserving
A legal scholar, courageous critic of unjust laws
Even the worldly jurisprudence he must exceed
For the spirit must transcend the earthly laws

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Rare was the gift to life
An intellectual in pursuit of truth
A scholar in prints, a prolific writer
Gifted with words and eloquent in speech
Thousand souls he must impact
A life living beyond his days
A force shaping generations to come
A proud Romanian who transcended his geography
An illuminating sun in our utter darkness, a true North Star
With indelible footprints and cherished legacy
Embodied and institutionalized in his beloved Danubius University
A parting gift that keeps on giving
Beloved Benone Pusca--
Your spirit lives on!