

Bully

He's a real charmer,
witty and irreverent,
wearing the apparel of three
different professional sports teams,
as if he wakes weekday mornings
and dresses for recess, not my class.

Even knowing what he did
I can't feel any animosity toward him,
which may be why it stayed secret so long,
the victim flattered at first,
thinking he had a friend,
a likable, popular one.
You know how it is—
the devil has all the good lines.