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A ROSE IN THE SNOW

His dazed, tired eyes were far away
in deep blue oceans where he once played
But the little girl beside him prays
that one day he will remember her name.

It seemed more certain for a rose

to bloom in ice cold winter snow

than for grandfather to recall the name

of a little girl who waits in faith.

We were all casting her hope away,

trying to help her "cope,"

to ease the pain of a little girl

who longs for a rose in the snow.

Then, one night, grandfather sat next to a window that displayed a crescent moon.

He turned away his face from it to look across the room.

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He smiled at her,

She ran to him,

He gently caressed her face.

Then, he leaned over and in her ear

He slowly whispered her name.

Her smile was such

that its radiance

could now outshine the moon...

And somewhere on Earth, on a snow-filled mountain, a rose emerged in bloom.