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Wishes
-Chelsi Webster
College of Saint Benedict

Mother Milkweed, November

Whispy white hair blowing wild
as milkweed silk,
more beautiful than she's ever been;
she thinks back to the May of her life
among black-eyed susans, blue-eyed grass,
chamomile and clover,
how she held a chrysalis then,
as only one who's been chosen
by a fluttering, floating life
can hold a fluttering, floating life.

-Larry Schug
Avon, Minnesota