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Grandpa Dyczewski

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I remember you—
stuck in your worn-out
rocker by the window,
snacking on salty peanuts
while Quincy shot the shit
on the big Quasar.
Always, Grandma sat in the kitchen
cutting up Pinconning
and other hard cheeses
to lay with the chicken-in-a-biscuits.
Glass bottles of Vernors
parked near the fridge
would later *fizz* up our insides.
I did not think the cheese
parties would last forever,
but now the scratched up rocker
sets under my brother Joey and
you are out at St. Andrew's cemetery
conversing with all your buddies.
God only knows what happened
to that damn Quincy!