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GRANNY

by Dr. Leroy Thomas

Martelie Albertine Mullins was her name,
State champion speller of Tennessee when she was a girl.
And could she spell!
Grandma, spell **CHALLENGE** for us.
Let's see, Hon—**C-H-A-L—CHAL, L-E-N-G-E—LENGE,**
C-H-A-L-L-E-N-G-E—CHALLENGE.
Yea, Granny!
By the time I noticed her, she was already gray,
But I knew she had been a redhead.
She had a fiery personality.
Sometime she had to be held on the bed at night
So she wouldn't hurt herself during a seizure.
During the day, she slept in her rocker or read the Bible.
When Mama went to the kitchen to cook, Granny went too.
She liked her turnips squishey.
Good Granny!■