Lullaby

For a new grandchild

When Mom sings me a melody And with a kiss turns down the light, I drift off free and lazily To join the mysteries of the night.

Across the sky soft clouds go by, In each a face I've known by day. They sing and sigh a lullaby Which soothes, delights, and fades away.

In waves unknown I rock alone As if my bed were a little boat That sails a zone of undertone And keeps me safe as I dream and float.

Now the clouds begin to wane and thin, The last one showing my mother's face. She strokes my chin and brings me in From far adrift to her warm embrace.

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