



Weavings

By Darrell Petska

Another scarf
vibrant, warm:
fingers flying—
she's 89!

Small faces dancing
in her eyes' twilight
guide her needles
straight and sure.

A dozen? Two?
Better stitch more
for the little ones
she won't see grow.

Yet she'll be close,
her heart weaved tight
in the warmth they'll feel:
great-grandma's love.

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