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## ORIGINAL POEM

### THE CRADLE OF BABYHOOD

There's a wee little cradle where  
slept  
Back in my dear infant days  
And gently 'twas rocked by the  
I loved,  
With the voice that was gentle  
Like the wings of an angel her  
hands  
In my wee baby fingers were  
Though she's gone many years  
remember her still,  
A beautiful, beautiful girl.

When the end of my long, winding  
journey is reached,  
The song of the cradle I'll know  
Once more it will rise, a breath  
past,  
A voice from the dear long ago  
Dear ocean ship that is waiting  
Driving all sadness away,  
Soon you shall cradle and hush  
Like the cradle of babyhood  
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### MY MOTHER'S HANDS

Her hands were beautiful but rough  
red,  
They rocked the cradle, babies  
They had been at work for many  
And helped us thru a world of  
Each time we bumped our heads  
And skinned our knees they cast  
They gently soothed each ache  
And brought us back to health  
When we were snugly tucked in  
The day was done, our prayers  
said,  
She tip-toed from the room and  
Her hands resumed our tasks  
She washed our clothes with  
tub,  
Each piece with toil-worn hands  
rub;  
She carried water from the spring  
Two buckets at a time she'd bring  
The fuel for the stove was wood  
The heating process was not good  
But patiently she'd toil away  
Content to challenge each new day

In her hands I patience see  
And love and faith and charity;  
Tho' years ago God called her  
Those hands so dear are beckoning  
"Come."  
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