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HANGING FROM A STAR

What if a star slid
A spider down
To weave a web
Around your flesh,
Gathered dreams
In a pillow
And swayed them through
The milky path -- Beyond
The rim of reasoned years
Over time and thought,
Much further than
Your outstretched hand
Or whisper, which should in God's ear land.
What dreamlike state this notion prompts
To touch a shadow, ride a quiver,
When life toward earth slowly turns
Then -- lets you drop --
And where you were
An empty scar remains.
What if a star slid
A spider down
To heal your wound
And take your pulse.
It's then your outstretched hand may grasp
And leave you hanging from a star.