



Anita's Crown

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You can't help noticing her hair.
It endows her with a regal aspect.
You feel privileged and want to declare
her goodness and give her respect.

But just stand and watch her a while
as she deals with the ups and downs
with love, compassion, and style -
you'll know she merits a crown.

In that crown many jewels:
talent, kids: grand and two greats,
over Guam, Japan, and Hawaii she rules
and God knows how many states.

The gold of her crown glitters
with her faith, courage, and art
her energy shows she's no quitter
she is very wise and oh so smart.

A gem of a seamstress with family threads
both coarse and fine all pulled together,
business partner to the man she wed,
cooking to Elvis in good and bad weather.

Painting and fixing flowers-a-plenty
making hats to be pretty and bright
the points of her crown are many
her humor and love turn wrong into right.

A queen who is loved by kith and ken
her loyalty and compassion endure
wherever we are, through thick and thin,
through our lives she's helped us mature.

She loves us when we croak like frogs
or act like we belong in a zoo
with a special affection for dogs
we bark out loud, Happy Birthday to yo

Dedicated to my beautiful sister-in-law, Anita Mills on her birthday, March 2014

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