Ginny The Flying Girl

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Ginny the flying girl
wanted to see the world
Her parents were poor,
and they couldn't afford
to send her away for a whirl
She waited until they slept
and into the night she crept
with only the stars and the cold light of mars,
Ginny took off like a jet
She rode through the sky
like an elephant's eye
Like the stars in a thundering herd
and when she came down
all the world had turned 'round
All that the ground people heard
was "Oh, for the life of a bird"
She lived in a tiny room
surrounded by huge balloons
The covers would fly
past her magical eye
and the pillows saluted the moon
At night when the lights went out,
he'd take to the sky and shout
"Hey, Milky Way, lead me on 'til the day
"says hello to the night's turnabout!"
She rode through the sky
like an elephant's eye
Like the stars in a thundering herd
and when she came down
all the world had turned 'round
All that the ground people heard
was "Oh, for the life of a bird"
Whenever the world won't bend
Whenever I need a friend
I just close my eyes
and I reach for the sky
and I know I can make it again
Whenever my dreams run dry
Just when I need to cry
Whenever it all looks too big, or too tall
I remember that I can fly
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like an elephant's eye
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