THE WRIGHT BROTHERS
By Kathleen Wiley

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Now, Wilbur and Orville Wright
Often working through the night
Thinking man could fly like birds
As self-taught engineers
Never having any fears
Imaginations they stirred
The aptitude of the Wright Brothers
Was developed by their mother
She showed them how to design
Some simple household appliances
Toys, bicycles from junkyards
She thought what they made was fine.

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Now, Orville was a detail-man
Wilbur could see the whole plan
Often they’d engage in debate
But on December 17th
At Kitty Hawk, 1903
All agreed what they did was great....

So on that cold December day
Courage and vision held sway
They took off into a head-wind
When 12 seconds into the flight
120 feet they’d climbed
They said..."Let’s do it again!!"

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Disputes with the Smithsonian
Sent their first airplane to London
There it stayed till the truth was told
That Orville was the first to fly
When that fact they did not deny
The Wrights brought their first airplane home...
The first manned and first powered flight
Of material so light
Never had the world heard such news
So on they flew right into history
Clearing up many a mystery
Bringing world flight into view....

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