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*Ryan Chighizola Prize Winner*

I'm afraid  
that you won't see the stars  
when you look at me.  
Only the night  
empty and bare  
dark and unworthy  
of admiration.  
Fading  
into the day  
As if I  
never existed.  
I want  
to be  
your guiding light  
but I'm afraid  
I don't know  
the way.  
I'm afraid  
I don't have  
the ferocity  
to fill up  
the space  
of the sky.  
That I'll only ever  
be clouds and rain  
when you  
deserve  
the moon.