That's What Momma Used To Say

Sara E. Allen

College of DuPage
That's What Momma Used to Say
by Sara E. Allen

Blind people can't judge color.
Deaf folks can't hear accents and,
Babies don't care who feeds them;
Just so long as they get fed.

That's what Momma used to say.
Didn't matter what folks thought,
She treated people like people.
Paid no mind to skin color.

Momma was different from most.
Folks in the south aren't like her,
Even now. But in the 50's,
She was the rebel in town.

Give folks a chance, they'll come through.
People can surprise you, now.
Doesn't matter how they look,
Because you can close your eyes.

That's what Momma used to say.
Didn't matter how folks looked,
She treated people like people.
Paid no mind to their features.

Don't ask me how she did it,
But she raised eight good kids here.
She taught us all right from wrong,
And never lost her values.

Hold on tight to your values,
'Cause life can be a bumpy ride.
And don't forget where you came from.
That's what Momma used to say.