Gary

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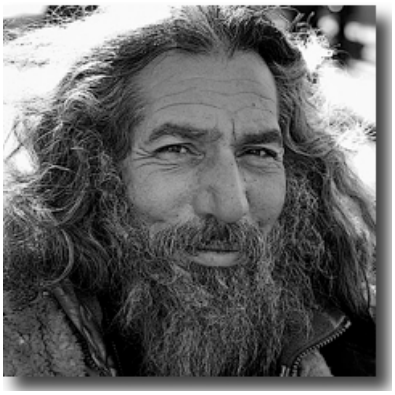

Gary squats before the Safeway
on blue sky days.
Today he reads
Raymond Chandler.
Hair a little wild...
the professorial air.
Bipolar. Schizophrenic. Alcoholic.
Addicted. Abused. A reader?
Hobo and hoboed.
He's chosen me, or I him.
Use a buck, Gary?
Why thanks.
County stir's not so bad.
Chandler says the same.
Take care, OK?
Sure thing, you bet.

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