

Ruby Showed the Way

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Ruby Bright was only six,
People tried to hit her with sticks,
Hateful words at her throat
Hate to all with her skin tone.

She went to school on her own,
The kids all left, she was alone,
She wants to learn everything in life
But she goes to school with strife.

Ruby was brave and learned at school
With just one teacher who was cool,
Her teacher smiles but Ruby sees
Her fear and uncertainty.

Ruby does her best to stand tall
And not let fear make her fall,
Ignoring hate coming from the crowd
Ruby makes her country proud.

In fear and ignorance people stayed
Until Ruby showed the way,
Be respectful and do what right
And then peace will be in sight.

