

Traveling the Country

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On the road again,
Traveling various states
And finding beauty.

Autumn in Cheyenne.
Mountains reflect the moonlight,
On white-tailed deer.

Stark and beautiful.
The Sand Hills of Nebraska.
Silent and serene.

Virginia morn,
Sweet and gentle in the spring,
Puts my mind at ease.

Carolina morn,
Brings the sweetness of birdsong,
When dawn light the hills.

Minnesota snow
In midwinter's eerie light,
Crunches underfoot.

Arizona morn,
In the desert's first, sweet light,
Cactus flowers bloom.

California,
Where earthquakes rumble onward,
May soon float away.

South Dakota morn,
When petulant sunflowers
Turn faces eastward.

North Dakota morn,
Where winds sweep across the plains
Heating the night air.

Colorado sun
Shining gently in autumn
Turns aspen to gold.

Those days on the road
Bring sweet memories
In times long-gone by.

