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# The Little Star Veronica

Grandpa's evening fairy tale







Once upon a time, in the northern hemisphere of the sky, in the distant constellation Coma Berenices, near the Ursa Major and Leo constellations, there was a small star that everyone called Veronica. Veronica lived surrounded by a large number of her friends, small stars just like her. Veronica's beauty was extraordinary. Veronica was a blue star with thin glowing golden rays and therefore resembled a small blue-eyed girl with delicate golden hair. Everyone who saw Veronica in the sky always admired her warm and mesmerizing light.





Veronica was very fond of traveling. She enjoyed long journeys to colorful galaxies, to unique constellations, and to mysterious planets. But Veronica's favorite place in the universe was the Blue Planet Earth, located in the solar system on the Galactic Milky Way.

Veronica often flew to Earth. Her appearance on Earth was marked by a warm azure strip in the night sky, which illuminated the darkness and left a bright echo on the water surface of the lakes and rivers. From time immemorial, Veronica has appeared as a really bright image. She has always brought warmth and light to people, especially to little kids.





All the children on Earth were very happy about Veronica's arrival. And Veronica dearly loved the children of Earth. Veronica's love for children was so strong that when she flew to Earth, the Lord turned her into a magical fairy who could fulfill all the innermost desires of young children.

Children who were lucky enough to see the moment of Veronica's arrival on Earth were in a hurry to make at least one, but very important, wish in their minds. Veronica always knew about these cherished wishes of Earth's kids and always fulfilled those wishes.





Veronica warmed the little children's homes in the winter cold with her warming care. She lit bright Christmas garlands for the kids.

One of Veronica's favorite hobbies was drawing; she was happy to color rainbows after the rain, added saturation to the morning and evening horizon's blue, and drew light agile clouds in the sky, creating mysterious pictures that children always admired.





Veronica took care of the children, being very attentive to them, and never thought about herself, because only the weak love themselves. And Veronica was a very strong star. And strong beings are given the honor and power of loving others.

Veronica protected the weak, supported the exhausted, gave strength to kind people, inspired the tired, and always brought victory to the aspiring.





But sooner or later, the time came for Veronica to return to Space, where many of her friends lived—bright stars, angels, and comets—good messengers of the Lord. In space, Veronica had many different things to do.

She protected the Earth from clouds of cold asteroids and Black Stars and, together with her friends, decorated the night sky with starry colorful drawings and lit up the aurora borealis at the poles of the Earth with colors of emerald, sapphire, and ruby.



When children go to bed on Earth, sometimes they look at the night sky, see the bright rays of blue-eyed Veronica, and calmly fall asleep, because they know that Veronica will protect their dreams and our Blue Planet Earth.

We Love You, Veronica. Come to us...





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