**Grandpa**

my ex-wife’s grandpa said

i’ve fallen and i can’t get up

the problem was

it was true

he spent two days

trapped between the toilet and the bathtub

before my mother-in-law found him

he was 94, and he insisted

on staying in his own place

we admired his determination

and overruled him

he went into a home

near to where we lived

we smuggled in sherry

which he hid in his room

the nurses pretended not to find it

how can you take away an old man’s last pleasure?

he didn’t last long

it was only six months until his room was empty again

i don’t know what they did with his sherry