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There once was a boy who loved snow the most.

His name was Wilson Bentley.
He was happiest in the fields of Vermont during the snow. Do you like the snow?

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He loved to share things with his family but was sad he could not share snowflakes with them.
His mom bought him an old microscope.

He used it to look at snow.
He looked at different shapes and realized no snowflake looked the same. Have you looked closely?
Wilson wanted to take pictures of snowflakes.

His parents surprised him with a camera.
He could not photograph the snowflakes.

He kept trying.
He worked every storm.

One day, it worked!

He took a picture of a snowflake.
But nobody cared about his pictures.

He waited hours for the right snowflake.

Sometimes he caught a few,

other times he caught a lot.
He took pictures every season.

But winter was his favorite to take pictures.

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He sold, gave away, and showed slide shows of his pictures.
He finally took enough pictures to make a book for all to see.

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Later, a monument was built for him and a museum exhibit, too.

Would you go visit?