

## **Steel Magnolias**

### **Ouiser Audition Monologue #1**

This is it. I've found it. I am in hell ... Don't try to get on my good side. I no longer have one ... I have to cancel. I have to take my poor dog to the vet before he has a nervous breakdown. My dog I mean. The vet is perfectly healthy ... M'Lynn, I used to think you were crazy for marrying that man. Then I thought for a few years that you were a glutton for punishment. Now I realize that you must be on some mission from God. I have not slept in days. I look like a dog's dinner. However, when I got up this morning, I decided I would try to rise above it. I would start anew. Whatever that man has done, I would overlook it in honor of your wedding day, Shelby. I thought I would make myself a little presentable and floss up the house in case somebody wanted to drop in – it being a big day in the neighborhood and all. So I go out to cut some fresh flowers for the living room. I go down to my magnolia tree and there is not a bloom on it! ... It would not be too much to ask for me to have one blossom to brighten my home. I am all alone except for my dog ... I was standing there looking at my – my naked magnolia tree when I saw Drum across the way loading what appeared to be a cannon. I asked him what happened to all those magnolia blossoms. He said the wind probably blew them off during the night. Then I asked him how the wind managed to blow them all off into your pool. Then he fired at me! Is that rude or what? ... He's a real gentleman. I'll bet he takes the dishes out of the sink before he pees in it.