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Being There

Is Chancey Gardner a man, a mystery, and figment of everyone's imagination? How can a man of his 40's live completely off the grid in a modern capitalist society? Where did he come from and how did he end up at the old man's home? Was he kidnapped as a baby and purchased for the sole purpose of tending to someone's garden? If so, how could the old man die and leave him with nothing? Is it possible that Chancey was an angel, sent to the earth to inspire and touch Ben, the President, and all others who had the pleasure to meet him? One thing is for sure, there is power in the silence of nature.