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Dear Patient

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You told me
Macho stories
Of hunting with buddies
In Montana and
Cool modifications made to your fishing boat,
But not about your paintings, which I first saw when I came
To sit by your deathbed.
Was it too painful then
To speak of the exquisite beauty seen
In a world that you were leaving?

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