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Primary Colors

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His final, tiny exhale hangs in the air
As his toddler sister scribbles in the corner on a torn out coloring book page.

She climbs out of her chair,
Pushes her way thru the family gathered around him,
And silently places the page on her baby brother's quiet chest.

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