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In loving memory of
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who was an extraordinary teacher and person.

She inspired me profoundly,
encouraged me to do a PhD research,
and showed me that cancer and death
do not have to be taboo subjects.

When we tell a story we exercise control,
but in such a way as to leave a gap, an opening.
It is a version, but never the final one.
And perhaps we hope that the silences will be heard by someone else,
and the story can continue, can be retold.

Jeanette Winterson, *Why Be Happy When You Could Be Normal?*