

The Day My Nightmare Died

You lay belly to belly, heart to heart
As I rocked you by the fireplace
And lovingly forced the dropper
Into your mouth with sugar milk
And you faithfully swallowed
Knowing our attempts would
Not block Death's calling.

Since a foundling kitten you had
Wild eyes and a wild spirit, too.
Not today.
You are a breath away from death
And the wildness has left
Reducing us to two beings who've shared life
For thirteen years.

Memories of funny things you did come to mind;
The way you were so big and bad during the day
But, at night time, in the dark you snuggled close,
Like a kitten looking for a lost mother.

Now in the ebbing light of life, I feel your paws
Searching for her; searching for me.
I will long for that again.

I will long for everything about you.

The universe mirrors our day.

Snowy weather brings a power outage.

The house, me, and you

Get colder.

Snow falls gently, blanketing the earth

As a loving mother covers her child.

Silent Night is here.