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My daughter tells me I am lucky to be here instead of in her five-bedroom home, with space for another child

but not a grandmother in a wheelchair. I am lucky to be here.

My room yellow as the sun,

which warms my face. On the porch I endure people

age and abandonment. I am lucky to be here, the best nursing home,

instead of where I would be if people knew what killed my unfaithful husband.