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*For my children, Sarah and Chris,
and my wife, Jacqueline,
for their love and support.*

*For my parents, Jane and Peter,
who persevered with style and grace.*

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courageous people he found
at Roswell Park.*

And what you are growing, here, and there, and over there, are
little moments, and the little moments make your memories, and
the memories make a life that can't be taken away from you by
anyone or anything, not other people's fickleness, not even death.

Joshua Ferris, "The Abandonment"

I made myself remember each thing he did, the way he turned his
head, his way of saying things. It was as though I knew it wouldn't
be for long. He was from another world—he was a blessing too
great for me.

Sebastian Faulks, Birdsong

To see the moon so silver going west,
So ladily serene because so dead,
So closely tailed by her consort of stars,
So far above the feverish, shivering
Nightwatchman pressed against the falling glass.

L. E. Sissman, "December 27, 1966"