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Poetry

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D: Doctor

P: Patient

D: You have been told it's serious;

P: "*Life itself is serious.*"

D: You have been told it's leukemia, acute myeloid;

P: "*Just another pothole in the road.*"

D: You have been told days to weeks, perhaps months;

P: "*Months become years.*"

D: You have been told further chemo is futile and dangerous;

P: "*I'll die without chemo.*"

D: You have been told you're in denial;

P: "*You're trying to deny me life.*"

D: You have been told you're dying;

P: "*We're all dying.*"

D: You have been told.

P: "*Pffftt.*"