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## Requiem: for Hrand Arakilian

*Larry Turner*

In Laguna Hills  
a car swerved,  
brakes squealed,  
the horns blew,  
and the walls fell down.

The rich speak  
of being crushed by wealth,  
but an ordinary Brinks guard  
died the death of Midas.

13000 dollars  
52000 quarters  
104000 bits  
26 boxes  
832 pounds

Did the boxes split?  
Did the quarters ring down  
burying him in silver?  
But quarters aren't silver  
and don't ring anymore.

He held the key. Too late  
they picked the lock  
to get him out.