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she lays her head down
on the soft grass
as though it is a pillow,
sparing her from the harsh ground beneath.

i see her eyes grow misty,
water collecting at the corners,
always on the precipice of falling,
just like her.

the stars twinkle above her,
she searches for meaning,
for answers,
and they tell her nothing.

i hear her whisper save me
and all they do is sparkle.
save me from myself, she pleads
and the stars pull her body from the grass.

i feel her slip out of my grasp,
at last, she breathes.
the light welcomes her,
and she calls it home.

i can feel her watching me
every starry night.
i think she is content now,
i know she is sorry.