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John

My brother used to sneak up
behind me and swing
his hands over my eyes,
calling out "Who do you love
most in the world?"

I like to remember the first time I drove him,
sitting rigid at the wheel,
my license freshly pressed.
From the passenger seat
he flung his hand before my eyes,
laughing at our old joke. I screamed
and he laughed harder
because he'd forgotten
I was driving.

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