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WITH THE GRACE OF WATER
Dan B. Shapiro

The two weeks in Italy, I
took that picture with me.

The one I put
on the front

of the card I made
for you late

the Night before
your surgery, though I will

still pretend it did not
break my heart because I know

I won't have you
Always. But only,

only that picture and just
your smile the love

I won't forget. The only
truth for me is what I will remember

what I find in your
eyes, always

Bluer than mine.

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