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There is a vacant home
Sitting in the garage.
A well-loved pillow,
Permanently indented by years of furry weight.
Still preserved amidst a sea of clutter,
A memory too painful to donate to the shelter,
As there would be a hole in the house.
Years of opening,
closing,
coming in,
going out
Left the door creaky with age.
Once on dad's "to fix" list,
It is now irrelevant.

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