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hidden-eyed man mutters  
of "double jack and a nine"  
gently through the corner of his mouth

he held trump with secrets  
of Pearl Harbor

he bid "four" while not tellin me  
about the first car, the  
first TV

he moved silent and tall  
as the most global and political  
year of my life passed by  
he ate cake

he had the most points  
of the evening  
he might not have known it

subtle deep set pools of wisdom  
perfect wrinkles  
and an earth, a time, a space  
I never knew  
said  
"so-long, it's nice to know you."