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A Mother's Loss

There once was a mother with two sons, one 14 and the other 9,
Until one tragic moment and now she has one
The older brother had a gun and it fired accidentally, hitting his young brother
The younger brother died and went to Paradise
And the older brother's fate is being decided
I think about me and my brother, we are the same age
And what it would feel like to be locked in a cage

This brother is in the storm and might not find a
Way out, which is tough, but he chose to have a gun
And he might not stop until he is shot, locked up, or under ground
But he still has a chance to set himself straight
And he needs to seize that chance and fly past the
Hate and violence to become a better person for his family's destiny to last.

- [REDACTED]