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Each day, more flies  
descend and buzz  
my porch. I bathe.  
I shower. I use  
scented soap, rinse,  
and dry. I sit  
and wave them away.  
I sit in evening's  
gather of gloam.  
I imagine a black  
cloud that hums  
a dirge over  
my aging meat,  
a song sung by  
flies who know  
my destiny.