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Nine Lives

It's years since I've had an answering machine but there are still many nights I turn the key in the lock eager to play whatever messages were left while I was working. At times I still think the radio will go off when I turn out the bathroom light though it's even more years since that was how it functioned. These are memories like dreams from a previous life that flicker in an updraft of Mylar confetti at the back of the hero waving from his Jeep. We forget how much we've changed, but the diarists and the face-blind know. It's hard for them to remember and recount their humiliations on yellowing paper and in the offended glares of the forgotten.



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