

Rabbit Trail

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What if they died when they died
to make us look more closely inside
to invite us to investigate?

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Sorrow fences with fear and questions over socialized medicine and
what if their deaths could have been prevented
if their healthcare had been privatized
though I'll have to ignore my suspicions that money matters more,
even in that system...

I am no physician, no scientist, and I walked away from journalism
but undergrad brought me psychology which brought me statistics
and medical terminology and research methods
and undergrad brought me an English degree which brought me
comprehension and critical thinking and combined with my
psychology, understanding scientific research is just a matter of
application.

And graduate school brought me a teaching degree which is really
a degree in the science of learning and my freelance work brings me
communication skills so together I can write things that facilitate
understanding.

Add it all up, undergrad to today, and what if I am the most qualified
to investigate, what if I am at least qualified
enough?

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And what if socialized medicine isn't to blame
and correlation and causation all point to the same

truth that people die, people die too soon?

