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Some Oregonians call death with dignity have someone kill you. I think that it takes courage and trust to share one's dying process with loved ones, family and friends. I saw a man accept his cancer, surgery, pain, and suffering. He let me, his four sons, four daughters in law help him with his physical care with the help of hospice. This is a man who learned to receive love as well as give love. A big step for a man who had been badly abused as a child. This man was my husband for 39 yrs and 8 months. We shared work of farming together and raising our sons. He was a great part of my day. I learned many lessons watching him. How unthinkable it would be to be deprived of all this had, he chose to kill himself with Oregon's suicide law.