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Dear Dr. Volgelzang -

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I want to thank you for all the help you have given to me for my cancer & lung disease.

I feel both diseases are progressing & death is somewhat near.

My breath is shorter, the cancer pain <sup>and VERY VERY PAINFUL</sup> in the ribs is almost constant, I am confused, forgetful. I can't get much at all & all the other things <sup>are happening</sup> you experience when you dying.

You a wonderful doctor & human being but let's face it - I will only get worse & not better. Your hands are tied & you kept trying the best course. The metal in my right ankle needs to be removed but no surgeon will take the risk & every step I take I am in pain. The painkillers make me confused but are absolutely necessary to walk. But the painkillers screw up your thinking & actions - over -

Wrie been there a lot together  
I am writing this letter to let you  
know I am completely satisfied with  
your professionalism, talent & kindness.  
I wish it was easier to pass. The  
pain, suffering, lack of lucidity, forgetfulness  
makes the journey very difficult.

<sup>also</sup> I write you now because I may not  
be around for our next appointment. Deep  
savings. Love. You the best best.  
I couldn't have asked for more.

Yak Rouben  
XOX

- P.S. Now that I write this letter, I will live  
to 100. (LOL).

- P.S.S You are a brilliant man. If you  
can't do it - then (and now I know)  
you are cunning, cunning & powerful. The  
diseases are. They not only kill you  
but make you suffer & take away from you  
your ability to think clearly, remember things etc.

Not the greatest  
letter but  
you got the  
idea.