During the pandemic, I've been worried about my mother and constantly thinking about what to do to keep her safe. When I was a year and a half old my mother was diagnosed with stage four breast cancer which she got chemo for and overcame. When I was in middle school, she was diagnosed with bone cancer and within the past few years, brain cancer. When COVID-19 ruined my senior year, my friends would still do some things together or hang out with their boyfriends. My mother would remind everyone in the family that if she got the virus, she would most likely not survive. So, this meant that I was stuck at home, with my parents and my pets. Even though I missed out on many adventures and fun opportunities with my friends, I'm thankful that I have never gotten the virus and that my whole family has been safe as well. Many long boring days laying in my yard or napping in my room were worth it considering my mother is still alive and okay. I wouldn't trade her safety for anything else in the world.

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