

## Some Other Place

if no GI Bill  
you would not be reading this  
I'd be somewhere else

on my one-way trip  
no other path would lead through  
life's maze of crossroads

not exactly here  
no MTI, no haiku  
no books on my shelf

no Susan, no Su  
no Seamus, no Claribel  
no Sarasota

counterfactuals  
would have mapped my route  
to some other place



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