

January 1, 2023: Catherine's proposal

My friend Kathleen Eaton wrote and published a book in 2022 under the structuring of "StoryWorth" (entity can be found online if interested) that suggests topics on which to write each week for a year, then StoryWorth publishes the book for the number of copies requested. Kathleen undertook this task partially because she was an English teacher but in large part because her wonderful husband succumbed to Parkinson's disease last year and I think the writing served as some measure of therapy for her. She just sent me a copy of the book which I read right away—took about 30 minutes. The table of contents has a list of the questions provided by StoryWorth which Kathleen wrote responses. Some samples:

- What were your grandparents like?
- Where did you go on a vacation as a child?
- Who inspires you?
- How did you decide to get married?
- Have you ever played any pranks?
- What is your favorite joke?
- Etc.

So my proposal, a bit out of the ordinary, is that each book club member would write a response to one (or more) of the questions (I can send you a full list of Kathleen's 52 questions) to share at November *[later changed to October]* book club gathering. There wouldn't be a book for you to obtain, but I could bring my copy of Kathleen's book, Eclectic Stories Written the Year my Husband Died, to the January book club meeting. I would give it to one of you, then book could be passed monthly to each member up to November, though I would provide all a long list with the 52 questions.