

Somebody Cut the Tarp

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Somebody cut the tarp
The tarp which was hiding the mess
of a crumbled building

Somebody cut the tarp
So now you can see through to the ruins
The ruins of someone's home
someone's business
someone's life

They tried to hide the mess
from the world passing by
But somebody cut the tarp
The skeleton of a building
lying in a pile on the ground
It's been uncovered for all to see
A weakness in itself

Somebody cut the tarp
But in a seemingly unusual way
not cut in a circle
not a triangle or a square
not just a slice
somebody cut the tarp in a special way

A heart

Through this heart you see a tumbled mess
An old fallen structure
An aftermath of what was
Yet framed by a heart

Somebody cut the tarp
not to be rude
but to be courteous
to express themselves

Somebody cut the tarp
To show that we should love those who have fallen
Stating that we should show love to all
No matter their past
their troubles
their fears

Somebody cut the tarp
to show the world that they cared

Somebody cut the tarp
to make a difference

Somebody cut the tarp
to catch our attention

And it worked ...