

This is very sad news. This was posted on the Green Man Review. It is from her sister.

"Kage's doctor has informed us she has reached the end of useful treatment. The cancer has slowed, but not stopped. It has continued to spread at an unnatural speed through her brain, her lungs and – now – reappeared in her abdomen. It is probably a matter of a few weeks, at most.

Kage has fought very hard, but this is just too aggressive and mean. She's very, very tired now, and ready for her Long Sleep. She's not afraid.

We've been in a motel the last week or so, in order to complete her therapy. I'll have her home in her own bedroom by the weekend, though, so end of life care can take place in more comfortable surroundings."

I never had the opportunity to meet Kage Baker, but her Company books were an amazing piece of work. Not the least because she actually finished the story, and her evocation of place and time was quite remarkable.

Another voice stilled. And this comes at the end of another very bad, terrible, awful few days.