

One Art

BY ELIZABETH BISHOP

*The art of losing isn't hard to master;
so many things seem filled with the intent
to be lost that their loss is no disaster.*

*Lose something every day. Accept the fluster
of lost door keys, the hour badly spent.
The art of losing isn't hard to master.*

*Then practice losing farther, losing faster:
places, and names, and where it was you meant
to travel. None of these will bring disaster.*

*I lost my mother's watch. And look! my last, or
next-to-last, of three loved houses went.
The art of losing isn't hard to master.*

*I lost two cities, lovely ones. And, vaster,
some realms I owned, two rivers, a continent.
I miss them, but it wasn't a disaster.*

*—Even losing you (the joking voice, a gesture
I love) I shan't have lied. It's evident
the art of losing's not too hard to master
though it may look like (Write it!) like disaster.*

Our Prayer for Our Friends

*May God bless and enrich your lives with love and friendship,
As much as you have enriched ours with
your presence, prayers, friendship and generosity.*

The Dillard Family

Clark S. Brown
& Sons SINCE 1928
FUNERAL HOME

HOME-GOING SERVICE FOR

Willie Lee Dillard



MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2020
1:00 PM

THE CHAPEL
GARDENS OF MEMORY
5676 OLD WALKERTOWN ROAD
WALKERTOWN, NORTH CAROLINA

REVEREND ZAVIOUS B. PRATT, OFFICIATING

Regarding Willie...

*“He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle that was against me”
Psalm 55:18 KJV*

Willie Lee Dillard was born to the late Fannie Wooley Dillard and the late Thomas Dillard in Forsyth County, North Carolina on October 11, 1943.

He was a 1962 graduate of Carver Consolidated School and received a bachelor's degree in Economics from Johnson C. Smith University in 1966. He was also a North Carolina Certified Appraiser.

Willie's work history included positions with RJR Archer, The Redevelopment Commission and The City of Winston-Salem Redevelopment Division (Housing and Neighborhood Services). He retired after over 30 years of service to the city. And he was later self-employed as an appraiser for commercial and residential properties.

He was a member of United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church and a dedicated parent volunteer at the Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Downtown School for more than 15 years.

Willie Lee Dillard passed away, Sunday, August 16, 2020 following a period of illness. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by a nephew, George Shields.

Those family members who survive and who will forever cherish special memories of him include his daughters, Monica Dillard Fowler and Megan Dillard (Jerry) Phillips; six grandchildren, Mason Fowler, Anesu Nyakudya, Marley Nyakudya, Elin Phillips, Jamison Phillips and Jonathan Phillips; three sisters, Evelyn (Milton Jackson) McKinney, Betty Shields and Rose Hart; an aunt, Dorothy Lawson; seven nieces and nephews; and several cousins and extended family members.



Procession
Minister and Family

The Holy Scripture Reading

Old Testament
New Testament

Prayer of Comfort

The Message of Hope - Reverend Zavious B. Pratt
Associate Minister, United Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church
Winston-Salem, North Carolina

The Committal

The Entombment
Gardens of Memory
Walkertown, North Carolina

The Recessional

Farewell Reflections

Trusting in God, we have prayed together for Willie and now we come to the last farewell. There is sadness in parting, but we take comfort in the hope that one day we shall see him again and enjoy his love and friendship. Although this congregation will disperse in sorrow, the mercy of God will gather us together again in the joy of His kingdom.