

BI GIVING THANKS

My daddy black and murdered in 1983

Sweet potato pie dressing and greens

free fall of love loud and celebratory

smoke clouds billow kids run free

heart filled to the brim

I can stay as long as I like

better hurry if you finna take a plate

let my whole guard down and enveloped with love as is

will see them soon whenever they call I'm there

have my back saw me through thick and thin

blood related kin.

it's just white Mommy and me

dry turkey place settings conceal no confessing

expectations, politics conversed judged rehearsed story

fine china blow-dried courtesy manors pleasantries

they didn't even let me in

arrival and departure time

get home and try to season what they begged you to take

prepared not to disappoint vis

our next encounter is planned and square

blood related kin.