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Editorial Review

From the Inside Flap

Winner of a Christopher Award in 1984 for “affirming the highest value of the human spirit,” the classic account of a young black athlete who became a metaphor for the complex culture of Mississippi

About the Author

Willie Morris (1934-1999) was the award-winning author of many books, including *North Toward Home*, *My Dog Skip*, and *After All, It's Only a Game*.

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