

Student Sample

Personal Narrative To Include in Multigenre Autobiography

My Trip to the 'D' (Detroit)

In July 2002 I visited Detroit, Michigan for my family reunion. It was the first time my family and I had been there so everything was new to us. When we got there we got lost. We took a wrong turn and it took hours to get to the hotel.

While there we visited an African-American museum. It was so fun! We didn't want to leave. The next day we had a picnic. We ate some good food like chicken, collard greens, macaroni, corn bread, and so much more. By the end we were so full. That same day we went to a gathering and we ate some more. They had people perform for us. They showed us the history of music in Detroit by dressing up like recording artists from Motown. We seen acts like The Temptations, The Supremes, The Jackson 5. and more.

When we left Detroit we headed for Chicago, but we learned that bad news was waiting for us when we got there. We found out that my grandfather (my mom's dad) was dying. I had only met him once before. I was terribly saddened by the fact that I wasn't able to get to know my grandpa better.

When we got back home to Minnesota we went to my aunt's house. I was so happy to be home! Detroit was fun but I missed home. But I do know it's going to be a long time before I go on another journey like that again.