

# Elizabeth McCracken

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Unrequited Love, Missing, Dream, Beautiful, Shopping, Nonfiction, Trouble, Car,  
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Grief lasts longer than sympathy, which is one of the tragedies of the grieving.

~Elizabeth McCracken

It's a happy life, but someone is missing. It's a happy life, and someone is missing.

~Elizabeth McCracken

The cure for unhappiness is happiness, I don't care what anyone says.

~Elizabeth McCracken

Librarian like Stewardess, Certified Public Accountant, Used Car Salesman is one of those occupations that people assume attract a certain deformed personality.

~Elizabeth McCracken

The idea of a library full of books, the books full of knowledge, fills me with fear and love and courage and endless wonder.

~Elizabeth McCracken

You can't out-travel sadness. I travel not to get away from my troubles but to see how they look in front of famous buildings

~Elizabeth McCracken

I believe marriage is a spectator sport.

~Elizabeth McCracken

I come from food the way some people come from money. Food was the medium I grew up in, what we talked about, what shaped our days.

~Elizabeth McCracken

Enough fine weather and money and a few memorable meals make any place desirable.

~Elizabeth McCracken

In reference works, as in sin, omission is as bad as willful misbehavior.

~Elizabeth McCracken

Fire is a speed reader, which is why the ignorant burn books: fire races through pages, takes care of all the knowledge, and never bores you with a summary.

~Elizabeth McCracken

And while I was not an admirer of people in the specific, I liked them in the abstract. It is only the execution of the idea that disappoints.

~Elizabeth McCracken

Books remember all the things you cannot contain.

~Elizabeth McCracken

but you can't spend your whole life hoping people will ask you the right questions. you must learn to love and answer the questions they already ask.

~Elizabeth McCracken

Engagements - they are like a prayer before eating, best quick.

~Elizabeth McCracken

My father was right: you could make anybody amazing just by insisting they were.

~Elizabeth McCracken

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