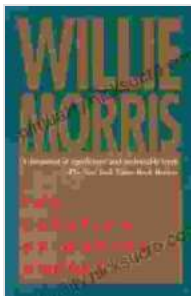


# The Courting Of Marcus Dupree

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Dupree was heavily recruited by several major college football programs, but he ultimately decided to attend the University of Oklahoma. He had a successful freshman season, but his career was derailed by injuries and off-field problems. He was eventually dismissed from the team and his football career was effectively over.

The Courting of Marcus Dupree is a 1988 documentary film that tells the story of Dupree's rise and fall. The film was directed by Keith Merrill and features interviews with Dupree, his family, and friends.



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The film is a cautionary tale about the dangers of putting too much pressure on young athletes. It is also a reminder that even the most talented athletes can be derailed by injuries and off-field problems.

Dupree's story is a tragic one, but it is also an important one. It is a reminder that even the most talented athletes are not immune to the pressures of life. It is also a reminder that it is important to have a support system in place to help young athletes deal with the challenges they face.

### **The Rise of Marcus Dupree**

Marcus Dupree was born on July 27, 1969, in Philadelphia, Mississippi. He was the son of a sharecropper and a maid. Dupree began playing football at an early age, and by the time he was in high school, he was considered one of the best running backs in the country.

Dupree was heavily recruited by several major college football programs, but he ultimately decided to attend the University of Oklahoma. He had a successful freshman season, rushing for over 1,000 yards and scoring 12 touchdowns.

Dupree's sophomore season was even more impressive. He rushed for over 2,000 yards and scored 23 touchdowns. He was named a consensus

All-American and won the Heisman Trophy, becoming the first freshman to ever win the award.

Dupree's success on the field made him a national celebrity. He was featured on the covers of magazines and newspapers, and he appeared on television shows and commercials. He was also the subject of a book, "The Running Man."

### **The Fall of Marcus Dupree**

Dupree's success on the field did not last. He suffered a knee injury in his junior season, and he was never the same player again. He was also dealing with personal problems, including drug and alcohol abuse.

Dupree was eventually dismissed from the University of Oklahoma, and his football career was effectively over. He tried to make a comeback in the NFL, but he was never able to regain his old form.

Dupree's life after football was troubled. He struggled with addiction and legal problems. He was arrested several times, and he spent time in prison.

Dupree eventually got his life back on track. He got sober and found a job working with troubled youth. He also became a motivational speaker.

Dupree's story is a tragic one, but it is also a story of redemption. He was able to overcome his demons and become a positive force in the world.

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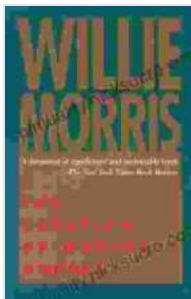
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