



## Gladys B. Lagos

June 30, 1935 - August 10, 2020

Gladys Lagos was born on June 30, 1935 in Canada, she departed this on August 10, 2020 in Nevada  
The Thing Is  
By Ellen Bass  
To love life, to love it even  
When you have no stomach for it  
And everything you've held dear  
Crumbles like burnt paper in your hands,  
Your throat filled with the silt of it.  
When grief sits with you, its tropical heat  
Thickening the air, heavy as water  
More fit for gills than lungs;  
When grief weights you like your own flesh  
Only more of it, and obesity of grief,  
You think, How can a body withstand this?  
Then you hold life like a face  
Between your palms, a plain face,  
No charming smile, no violet eyes,  
And you say, yes, I will take you  
I will love you, again.