

TRICKY WILLIE WALLEYE

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I got one! I love these Minnesota fish! Hang on... ..oh, he got away.

Looks like you were fishing with Willie Walleye. Who? Willie Walleye! Don't tell me you never heard of Willie Walleye...

It was late summer and all the fishermen gathered to catch Willie Walleye. No matter how hard they tried they couldn't catch Willie Walleye. Willie Walleye liked to play with his friends, Niky Northern and Samantha Sturgeon, in the swamp where there was a drop off.

The food was getting scarce in those parts because of the fishermen taking the shiners out of the lake. The only choice they had was to eat the minnows on the hooks – or to eat each other. So, they tried to nibble off the minnows on the hooks.

Big Ricky was pretty much eating everybody. There was only a small group of fish left. But Willie Walleye wasn't scared of Big Ricky, for he was bigger than Big Ricky.

A couple of days later there was only four fish in the lake – Big Ricky, Willie Walleye, Samantha Sturgeon, and Niky Northern – and it was time to get rid of Big Ricky. So, Willie Walleye floated by pretending to be dead. But when Big Ricky tried to bite him, he spun around and ate Big Ricky instead. Very tricky of you Willie Walleye.