

Death, be not Proud

1. Death, be not **proud**, though some have called thee
2. **Mighty** and **dreadful**, for thou art not so;
3. For those whom thou think'st thou dost **overthrow**
4. Die not, poor Death, nor yet canst thou kill me.
5. From rest and sleep, which but thy pictures be,
6. Much pleasure; then from thee much more must flow,
7. And soonest our best men with thee do go,
8. Rest of their bones, and soul's delivery.
9. **Thou art** slave to fate, chance, kings, and desperate men,
10. And dost with poison, war, and sickness **dwell**,
11. And poppy or charms can make us sleep as well
12. And better than thy stroke; why swell'st thou then?
13. One short sleep past, we wake **eternally**
14. And death shall be no more; Death, thou shalt die.

'Thee' and
'thou'
mean 'you'

'Thy' means
'your'

'Thou shalt'
means 'you will'

