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The New World.

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This program is about unsolved mysteries.

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Whenever possible, the actual family members and police

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officials have participated in recreating the events.

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What you are about to see is not a news broadcast.

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1971, the Philippines.

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Roger Rojas, an amateur treasure hunter,

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found an intricate system of tunnels

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dug by the Japanese during World War II.

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Rojas claims a deep inside he discovered

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an amazing hidden treasure, a solid gold

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Buddha, and countless boxes of gold bars.

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But Rojas' joy was short lived.

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He soon found himself imprisoned and tortured

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at the orders of Philippine President Ferdinand Marcos.

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And as for the treasure, possibly worth billions,

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it's whereabouts remain an unsolved mystery.

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Caitlyn Arquette was a popular, vivacious honor student

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who dreamed of becoming a doctor.

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But in 1989, Caitlyn was brutally and senselessly

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gunned down, leaving her family haunted

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by unanswered questions.

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Who killed Caitlyn and why?

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20 years ago, a large caring family in California

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took in a four-year-old girl whose father needed help

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to care for her.

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Now that family asked for your help

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to find the young child that they loved and accepted

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as their own.

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Join me for these fascinating stories.

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Perhaps someone somewhere has that one vital clue that

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can help solve a mystery.

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Perhaps that someone is watching.

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Perhaps it's you.

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Perhaps it's you.

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From 1965 to 1986, Ferdinand Marcos ruled the Philippines,

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first as an elected leader, then as a virtual dictator.

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By the time Marcos was deposed, his personal wealth

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was estimated at \$10 billion, much of it allegedly

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looted from his own people.

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Few dared challenge Marcos publicly,

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but on May 5, 1971, newspapers in the Philippines

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carried a startling front page story.

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A Filipino locksmith and part-time treasure hunter

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named Roger Rojas was accusing Marcos's henchmen

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of ransacking his house and stealing a rare solid gold

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Buddha, which Rojas had found while excavating near his home.

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Just days earlier, Roger's brother

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had taken this photograph of Roger and the Buddha.

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Roger was 27 years old at the time,

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and in the prime of life.

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Roger Rojas is now 49, but his health

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is ruined wrecked by torture and years of living on the run.

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Roger's nemesis, Ferdinand Marcos,

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died in Hawaii in 1989, a fabulously wealthy man.

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Today, his estate is a target of a number of lawsuits,

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including one filed by the humble but unbowed locksmith,

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Roger Rojas, who dared to cross one

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of the most powerful men in Asia.

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In 1970, Roger Rojas and his family

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lived 200 miles north of Manila on the Philippine

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island of Luzon.

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Roger worked in nearby Baguio City.

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On weekends, he was part of a large group of Filipinos

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whose avocation was treasure hunting.

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One of Roger's fellow treasure hunters

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was Albert Fuchigami, whose mother was Filipino,

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but whose father had been an officer in the Japanese army

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during World War II.

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Fuchigami had painstakingly recreated from memory,

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a map which his father had showed him as a youngster.

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The map pinpointed the location of a secret tunnel system,

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or a fortune in gold bars that allegedly

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been left behind when the Japanese were

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driven from the Philippines.

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We were friends for a long time before he told me

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that he knew of a hidden treasure.

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He revealed to me what he knew about the tunnels.

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I had very high hopes, because Fuchigami

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was the son of a Japanese soldier.

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Roger Rojas and Albert Fuchigami

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hired a crew to excavate.

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In the first few minutes of digging,

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they found a layer of Japanese shrapnel.

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A few weeks later, the crew broke through into the tunnels,

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which the Japanese had apparently dynamited shut.

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The tunnel system was elaborate,

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complete with railroad tracks.

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For the next few weeks, Rojas and Fuchigami

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explored the labyrinth.

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They found that one explosion had blocked all access

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to the main underground passageway.

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Undaunted, they dug a narrow tunnel around the rocks.

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I was the first one who went in, because I was concerned

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for my companions.

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If there was a booby trap, then they would die.

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Because I was the leader, I was the one who went in first.

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To my surprise, I found several Japanese skeletons.

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There must have been more than two of them.

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There must have been more than 10.

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Roger had stumbled upon a forgotten tomb.

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Japanese soldiers had apparently been trapped underground

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when their own retreating army set off explosions

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to hide the tunnels.

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Get out of the way, ma'am.

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We're here, we're here.

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00:06:52,880 --> 00:06:54,880

Come on.

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Come with me.

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00:06:57,880 --> 00:06:59,880

Come on, get out of here!

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The explorers were stunned.

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In a hidden cavity, a Buddha, which appeared to be made of gold,

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stood solemn guard.

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Roger knew that the Buddha was not native to the Philippines.

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He assumed that it had been plundered from one of the southeast

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While their crew attempted to move the 2,000-pound Buddha,

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Rohas and Fuchigami ventured farther inside the tunnel.

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Come on.

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Come on.

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Tendo!

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00:07:52,880 --> 00:07:54,880

I'm sorry, I was wrong.

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We're not here anymore.

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Just as a map had predicted, there were boxes

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upon boxes of solid gold bars.

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Rohas and Fuchigami hit on a plan.

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They would dynamite the tunnel closed to safeguard their find.

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Then sell the Buddha to buy trucks and equipment to transport the gold.

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Roger Rohas took the Buddha home.

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A potential buyer confirmed that the Buddha was solid gold.

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He offered Roger one million pesos,

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160,000 US dollars as a down payment.

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Thank you, Mr. Orihara.

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Thank you, Mr. Rohas.

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After the buyer left, Roger and his brother decided to take a closer look at the Buddha.

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Roger had noticed that the buyer paid special attention to the Buddha's neck.

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My brother and I had a suspicion that there was a joint, an opening inside the Buddha.

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So what we did was, we got a piece of wood

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and we hit the Buddha several times with this piece of wood.

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Roger says there were several handfuls of diamonds inside the Buddha.

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Some were rough cut, some fine.

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Roger hid the diamonds in a closet.

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That night, Roger's brother took these pictures of Roger with the Buddha.

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Roger thought the photographs would protect him,

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but news of his discovery had already spread fast and far,

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all the way to the President's Palace in Manila.

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Although the Philippines was still nominally a democracy,

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Ferdinand Marcos, along with his wife Amelda, ruled with virtual autonomy.

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When Roger found the Buddha in 1971, Marcos was in his prime

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and his primary tactic was brute force.

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Roger!

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Two months after Roger brought the Buddha home, soldiers swarmed his house.

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The red ribbons on their rifles indicated that they were members of President Marcos' elite palace guard.

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In effect, his personal army.

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Out of nowhere, the buyer appeared.

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Roger had been double-crossed.

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With the buyer was another civilian who seemed to be in charge.

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He ordered the soldiers to ransack the house.

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They took everything, even the piggy banks of my children,

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even the picture album, whatever my wife inherited,

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00:10:48,880 --> 00:10:52,880

all her jewelry, all the diamonds in the closet.

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They took all of it.

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What would have happened if we had fought back?

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They would just have killed us.

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The next day, Roger and his brothers reported the incident to the local police.

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Then he went to visit Judge Pio Marcos,

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a family friend for whom Roger had once worked as a chef.

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I told him, Judge, why did you let them confiscate my treasure?

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We're friends.

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He said, Roger, there is nothing that I can do.

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I said, why?

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He said because the prince asked for it.

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I said, who's the prince?

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And he said, the prince, President Marcos.

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But Judge, you're all wrong.

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You did wrong and you called the police because now,

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people know that the prince is in this case.

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It's a big mistake.

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Take your family and go back to Baguio.

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You're not allowed to go.

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00:11:58,880 --> 00:12:02,880

You're a victim of your death warrant and you're going to be arrested again.

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00:12:03,880 --> 00:12:05,880

I have nothing to do for you.

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00:12:05,880 --> 00:12:07,880

I have nothing to do for you.

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00:12:07,880 --> 00:12:09,880

Take care, Roger.

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In June of 1971, on the Philippine Island of Luzon,

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members of President Ferdinand Marcos' elite palace guard

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seized a golden Buddha from the home of Roger Rojas.

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The next day, a judge warned Roger that there was a price on his head.

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Roger and his family fled to an isolated jungle village.

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While Roger remained secluded,

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Filipino reporters had already gotten hold of the story.

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Marcos did allow the press to view the Buddha,

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but his political opponents felt that Marcos had substituted a fake.

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One opposition cabinet member, hoping to embarrass the president,

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convinced Roger to come to Manila to identify the Buddha.

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You need to do what I want to do.

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Open this.

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Do it.

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Roger, is this Buddha the price you're going to pay for your class?

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No. My Buddha is not.

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Other colors.

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My Buddha removed his head.

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This one is not removed.

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00:13:22,880 --> 00:13:26,880

Did you still force him to wear a black shirt that you're going to pay for?

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That's what I'm saying.

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My soldiers entered my house,

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00:13:30,880 --> 00:13:32,880

and my Buddha removed his head.

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And my wife also removed his head.

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How did you get into that position?

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I didn't like politics.

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00:13:38,880 --> 00:13:40,880

Thank you, Roger. Thank you all very much.

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00:13:40,880 --> 00:13:41,880

Thank you very much.

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00:13:41,880 --> 00:13:43,880

Roger, you did a good job.

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You did a good job of connecting with the village.

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I'm not really a Buddha.

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I know. I know.

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Marcos and his minions were outraged.

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Once again, Roger fled Manila.

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But two weeks later, he says he was tracked down by the palace guard.

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Three men approached me and pointed their guns at me.

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They knew me.

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They told me, Roger, come with us in the car.

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00:14:12,880 --> 00:14:14,880

We will bring you to Manila.

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I could not escape.

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I knew they were soldiers. They had guns.

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They were so happy.

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They were drinking whiskey, saying,

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So, finally we got him.

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The famous, the famed Roger Rojas.

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They called the palace and they were speaking English.

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I knew that it was Marcos that they were talking to,

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because they addressed him as Mr. President.

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Marcos must have asked them,

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Are you sure it is Roger Rojas that you captured?

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And they said, Yes, we're sure.

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Thank you, Mr. President.

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The boss is really happy to hear we have you, Marcos.

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The soldiers demanded that Roger sign a confession,

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authenticating the Buddha,

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and paid off by the opposition party.

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Roger says that, when he refused,

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the palace thugs brought in a crude electroshock machine,

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fashioned from automobile batteries.

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You will not last long.

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Believe in me.

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I want to know if you ever see this.

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Then they showed me a picture,

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and they said, Roger, do you know who this is in the picture?

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And I said, Yes, that's my wife and my kids.

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00:16:07,880 --> 00:16:10,880

They said, Roger, if you love your family,

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00:16:10,880 --> 00:16:12,880

cooperate with us.

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00:16:12,880 --> 00:16:14,880

Show us where you found the Golden Buddha.

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No!

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Roger says he endured hours of torture,

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which permanently damaged the nerves around his left eye.

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I made a promise to Mr. Fujigami.

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His name is Albert.

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I told him, Albert, even if they tried to kill me,

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I will not tell you.

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I will not tell you.

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I will not tell you.

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I will not tell you.

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Albert, even if they tried to kill me,

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I will not tell them where the tunnel is.

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So they had to persecute me.

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And while I was conscious, I really tried

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not to tell them where the location of the tunnel was.

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That was my promise to Mr. Fujigami.

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Roger says he was held captive at a hotel in Manila

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and tortured almost daily for several weeks.

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Finally, he agreed to sign a document

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stating that he had been paid off by the opposition party.

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Roger's captors allowed the worst of his wounds to heal.

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Then they took him to a courtroom in Baguio City

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and ordered him to point at Marcos's Buddha.

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He was photographed several times

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giving this tacit sign of approval.

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I went to my wife first and my kids.

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My wife was crying.

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She was surprised.

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She said, what is happening to you?

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You know they might kill you.

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And I said, just pray.

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I stayed with my family for about ten minutes

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and then the soldiers took me again.

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Roger was summarily re-emprisoned in the same hotel

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where he had been tortured.

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I knew they were going to kill me.

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But you know, I'm a locksmith.

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I know how to open locks.

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So I went to the restroom.

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There was a small window with a small lock.

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Roger O'Hoss went into hiding

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and never again saw the golden Buddha.

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The strain of living underground tore his family apart

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that eventually led to a divorce.

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Roger, who has remarried,

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continues to make his home at an undisclosed location

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in the Philippines.

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When Ferdinand Marcos died in 1989,

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his personal assets exceeded the entire

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Philippine National Treasury.

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Roger O'Hoss is convinced that the source of that wealth

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was a countless boxes of gold bars.

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As for the Buddha, no one knows exactly where it is.

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In 1975, at least two witnesses claimed to have seen it

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at one of Marcos' summer palaces.

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Rumor has it that the Buddha is still somewhere in the Philippines,

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00:19:41,880 --> 00:19:44,880

hidden by a member of the Marcos family.

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00:19:48,880 --> 00:19:50,880

Of course it's very painful.

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I worked very hard for it.

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I spent so much time, about seven months,

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that we really labored hard.

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And then in one hour, they take it all away.

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It's very, very painful.

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Through a corporation Roger O'Hoss formed

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with a friend in the United States,

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a suit has been filed against the Marcos' estate.

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The case is currently on the docket in Honolulu.

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Roger has established a foundation to assure

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that a large portion of any settlement money he may receive

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will go to provide education, medical aid,

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food and job training in the Philippines.

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Next, a young woman is gunned down in her car.

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00:20:38,880 --> 00:20:40,880

Was she the victim of a random shooting

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or the target of a hired assassin?

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On June 14, 1989,

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18-year-old Katelyn Darquette

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graduated from Highland High School in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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Kate was an outgoing pop star

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and she was a very successful young woman.

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But she was also a young man

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who was very hardworking and very hardworking.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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She was a very hardworking woman.

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Kate was an outgoing popular honor student

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00:21:14,880 --> 00:21:17,880

who had been accepted at the University of New Mexico.

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She planned one day to attend medical school.

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Shortly before graduation,

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Kate moved into an apartment with her boyfriend

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using money she had received from an insurance settlement.

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Kate, we're almost finished, honey.

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Let me take you out to dinner tonight.

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As far as we could tell, Kate and her boyfriend

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did get along very well.

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I can call a couple of friends over.

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Well, I was just kind of hoping it could be just the two of us.

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He was eight years older than Shiva.

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We didn't know it because they liked us.

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She knew we wouldn't let her date someone that much older.

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00:21:51,880 --> 00:21:54,880

We thought he was only four years older.

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He seemed like a nice guy.

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00:21:56,880 --> 00:21:59,880

He was around the house a lot. We liked him.

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00:22:00,880 --> 00:22:04,880

Six weeks later, on the afternoon of Sunday, July 16th,

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Kate admitted to her mother that she and her boyfriend

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00:22:06,880 --> 00:22:08,880

had been having serious problems

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almost from the moment they moved in together.

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00:22:11,880 --> 00:22:14,880

Mother, all you have to do is tell him you don't know where I am

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00:22:14,880 --> 00:22:16,880

and you don't know when I'll be back.

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00:22:16,880 --> 00:22:20,880

It's a lie. It's not fair. He's going to be worried about you.

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00:22:20,880 --> 00:22:22,880

Mother, please.

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You don't understand.

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She told us she'd had a big fight with her boyfriend.

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She was breaking up with him

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and she was going to a girlfriend's house for dinner.

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And she would either spend the night there

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or come back and spend it at our house.

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She was not going to go back to the apartment.

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Kate visited her girlfriend from 9.30 to 10.45 p.m.

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She then headed east along Lomas Road toward her mother's house.

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A little bit before midnight, the phone rang.

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It was a phone call from the emergency room of the hospital.

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They said, Kate is there, that she's been injured.

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And I said, what's happened?

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And they said, they wouldn't tell me.

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They said, we can't tell you on the phone.

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So my husband and I drove to the hospital

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00:23:23,880 --> 00:23:26,880

and Kate had been shot twice in the head.

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She was in a coma.

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00:23:30,880 --> 00:23:33,880

Five hours later, the police arrived at Kate's house

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Five hours later, the police arrived at Kate's apartment.

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Her boyfriend was home alone, seemingly unaware that his

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girlfriend had been shot and was near death.

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We're with the Albuquerque Police Department.

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Just like, come in, talk to you a minute.

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00:23:46,880 --> 00:23:47,880

Sure.

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What's this about?

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I just want to ask you a couple of questions.

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Look around, you mind?

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No.

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Just tell me what's going on.

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Just like to know where you were tonight.

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I was not with them.

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Caitlin's boyfriend told me that he had been out

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00:23:58,880 --> 00:23:59,880

with a couple of friends.

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00:23:59,880 --> 00:24:00,880

They had eaten.

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00:24:00,880 --> 00:24:01,880

They had played pool.

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00:24:01,880 --> 00:24:03,880

And they had a couple of drinks.

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00:24:03,880 --> 00:24:05,880

Oh, what's going on?

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00:24:05,880 --> 00:24:07,880

While I was there, on myself and the other detectives,

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00:24:07,880 --> 00:24:10,880

we discovered a note on top of the kitchen table.

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00:24:10,880 --> 00:24:12,880

And the note read something to the effect,

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hun, I'll be home in a certain time, that sort of thing.

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It was my belief that he indicated to me that

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the note came from Caitlin.

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It must have come from Caitlin because he was not home

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00:24:23,880 --> 00:24:25,880

and when he got home, he found the note there.

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Yes, she did.

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I think you should sit down.

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Caitlin's boyfriend stated that he and Caitlin did argue

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00:24:34,880 --> 00:24:36,880

and they did have their disagreements,

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but he was not aware of her at any time wanting him

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to leave the apartment or move out or anything that severe.

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Dr. Henderson, please come to reception.

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When the police left the apartment,

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Kate's boyfriend went straight to the hospital

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00:24:48,880 --> 00:24:50,880

and joined her family in a bedside vigil.

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00:24:50,880 --> 00:24:57,880

Less than 24 hours later, Caitlin Darkette was dead.

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00:24:58,880 --> 00:25:01,880

Her boyfriend had remained by her side until the very end.

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Six months after Caitlin Darkette's murder,

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the Albuquerque Police Department announced

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that she'd been the victim of a quote,

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random act of violence.

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Caitlin's mother, Lois Duncan, refuses to accept their ruling.

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Following her daughter's death, she began to uncover

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the first Dark Hints that Kate has somehow

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gotten mixed up with a major criminal organization.

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To this day, the police continue to pursue

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00:25:27,880 --> 00:25:30,880

the random victim theory, but Lois Duncan is convinced

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00:25:30,880 --> 00:25:33,880

that her daughter was executed by a hired assassin.

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We're all set. No questions asked.

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Two and a half months before she was killed,

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Caitlin and her boyfriend took a trip to Southern California.

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It was at that time that Kate apparently became involved

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00:25:49,880 --> 00:25:52,880

in a lucrative car insurance scam.

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One of our daughters told me that that March,

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00:25:57,880 --> 00:26:01,880

a couple of months before, the boyfriend had staged

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00:26:01,880 --> 00:26:06,880

an accident, a fake accident, in a car that Kate had rented

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00:26:06,880 --> 00:26:09,880

for him with our credit card.

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The scheme was allegedly orchestrated by an organization

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comprised of powerful members of Southern California's

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00:26:31,880 --> 00:26:33,880

Vietnamese community.

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Everyone in the accident complained of soft tissue injuries

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to the neck and lower back, which were later treated

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00:26:39,880 --> 00:26:42,880

by a doctor who was part of the organization.

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Ultimately, a paralegal working out of an Orange County

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California law office handled the insurance claim.

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Kate and her boyfriend were given free money

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00:26:51,880 --> 00:26:53,880

for the insurance claim.

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Kate and her boyfriend were given \$1,500

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00:26:55,880 --> 00:26:57,880

as their share of the settlement,

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which they used to rent the apartment.

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00:26:59,880 --> 00:27:01,880

Everything went well.

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00:27:01,880 --> 00:27:05,880

It was evidently a major, multi-million-dollar insurance scam,

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00:27:05,880 --> 00:27:08,880

and Kate had found out about it.

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00:27:08,880 --> 00:27:11,880

At the time, we didn't know how we could fit this in

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00:27:11,880 --> 00:27:14,880

with her shooting, but all of a sudden,

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there was another element there,

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something that suggested a possible motive,

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because if Kate was breaking up with her boyfriend at that time,

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then maybe she was a danger to the people who had arranged this.

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A few weeks after Kate's death,

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Lois was putting her daughter's affairs in order

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00:27:33,880 --> 00:27:35,880

when she made a disturbing discovery.

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Three phone calls had been made from Kate's apartment

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at virtually the same moment she died.

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In fact, they were made just minutes after she was pronounced dead

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when her boyfriend was with us at the hospital,

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00:27:49,880 --> 00:27:52,880

and the apartment should have been unoccupied.

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The number turned out to belong to a Vietnamese paralegal in Orange County,

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00:27:59,880 --> 00:28:02,880

a paralegal who lived in Santa Ana,

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but worked in a law office in Garden Grove,

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00:28:05,880 --> 00:28:09,880

and it was the same paralegal who set up the car wrecks.

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Lois wanted me to look into Kate Lynn's

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relationship with her boyfriend.

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Lois felt that not everything was right there,

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00:28:23,880 --> 00:28:26,880

that there had been some real problems,

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00:28:26,880 --> 00:28:29,880

and that the police had failed to take a look at it.

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Mike Gallagher first met with Kate's former landlord.

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I had the impression from neighbors

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00:28:38,880 --> 00:28:44,880

that Kate Lynn was more afraid of her boyfriend's friends.

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Rather than her boyfriend.

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She would get disturbed when they only spoke Vietnamese around her.

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00:28:54,880 --> 00:29:01,880

Her boyfriend's friends tended to make fun of her

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00:29:03,880 --> 00:29:06,880

and cause friction between her and her boyfriend,

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and she did not like his friends.

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00:29:08,880 --> 00:29:11,880

I think the feeling from when I could gather was mutual.

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You let them treat me so lousy.

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They do not treat you that way.

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They do! They make fun of me!

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Evidently, things were much more stormy than we had ever guessed,

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and it wasn't just a little lovers spat.

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There was something very major happening in Kate's life

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after she moved in with her boyfriend.

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And she told us she was very sorry

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00:29:33,880 --> 00:29:35,880

that she had ever let him move in with her.

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It had been a big mistake.

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She wanted him to move out so her girlfriend could move in instead.

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Mike Gallagher was able to obtain a copy of the note

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00:29:45,880 --> 00:29:48,880

which Kate allegedly left for her boyfriend on the day of the shooting.

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He compared it with another sample of her handwriting.

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It was obvious just by comparing the handwriting of the note

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00:29:57,880 --> 00:30:02,880

with Kate Lynn's writing that she did not write that note.

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And that led me to believe that within hours of her shooting

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00:30:06,880 --> 00:30:09,880

her boyfriend was already lying to police.

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The landlord also told Gallagher that on the night Kate Lynn died,

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three of her boyfriend's associates were in her apartment drinking.

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Kate's mother is convinced that one of them made the phone calls to Santa Ana.

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I don't think that the Vietnamese connection is related to this case.

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Thus far, I have not received any information

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and to indicate positively that the Vietnamese is involved in this homicide.

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Was Kate Lynn Arquette executed because she had learned too much

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about the auto insurance scam?

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While Kate's family and Mike Gallagher were pursuing their investigation,

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the police were going in a completely different direction.

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Six months after the murder, an informant led the Albuquerque police

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to a young man named Robert Garcia.

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Garcia was interrogated for two hours.

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Finally, he admitted that on July 16, 1989,

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he was out with three friends when one of them shot a woman in her car on a dare.

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Based on Garcia's statement, police arrested Dennis Martinez,

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Puevanal Oscobero and Miguel Garcia, who was not related to Robert.

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According to Robert Garcia, it was Miguel who did the actual shooting.

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On the same day that Robert Garcia was interrogated,

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the police discovered that Escobedo had recently sold his car,

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a brown Chevrolet Camaro.

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Suddenly, an eyewitness report that they had initially disregarded

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took on a new significance.

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On the night of the murder, a truck driver said he saw a brown Camaro

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chasing a young woman in a car similar to Kate Lynn's

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in the area where she'd be gunned down an hour later.

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The police believed that the men in the Camaro had been out joyriding,

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and Kate became their random victim.

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It was later learned that Robert Garcia had in fact been in jail

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and the night Kate Lynn was shot,

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ultimately all charges against the three suspects were dropped

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for lack of sufficient evidence.

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The police found that the man in the Camaro had been out joyriding

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and that the three suspects were dropped for lack of sufficient evidence.

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Finally under pressure from Kate's family,

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the police questioned her boyfriend once again.

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This time, he admitted that he and a friend from Albuquerque

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had taken part in the auto insurance scam.

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Our relationship was going great.

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We had our arguments, but that...

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Nevertheless, charges had never been pressed against him

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in connection with that scam.

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In addition, Kate Lynn's boyfriend is not considered a suspect in her murder.

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I think it's important for the police to remember,

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and anybody who looks at this case to remember,

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that Kate Lynn's, boyfriend's, friends

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were involved with large-scale organized criminal activity in Los Angeles

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and multi-million dollar insurance frauds.

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I don't think the police ever took that seriously.

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Kate Lynn Arquette was killed in July of 1989.

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In this most bizarre case, there seemed to be two viable theories,

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leaving Kate's family to wonder who in fact was responsible

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and why did they target Kate.

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Our family doesn't have any real idea who pulled the trigger on Kate.

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The one thing we feel very strong about is that she was not shot randomly,

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as just people out on a spree having fun shooting a pretty girl in a red car.

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We believe Kate was killed because she was going to talk,

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was going to expose illegal activities involving her boyfriend and his companions.

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It might have been that she was shot by the Vietnamese.

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It might have been that they hired someone else to shoot her.

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The one thing we're absolutely sure of in our own minds

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is that this was not a random shooting.

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Kate was assassinated.

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Next, a family's poignant search for the young girl they raised as a whole.

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On August 4th, 1990, 24-year-old Shannon Tim Payne

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was married in San Francisco, California,

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surrounded by all eight of her brothers and sisters.

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But one very important person was not there

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to share the joy of that special day.

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Twenty years earlier, when Shannon was still just a toddler,

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a four-year-old girl named Terri Lynn Smith

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had come to live temporarily with the Tim Paynes in Orange, California.

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She stayed for six years, and in every way became a member of the family.

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It seems that some families, no matter how large,

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have more than enough love to go around.

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The Tim Paynes have not seen Terri Smith for more than a decade,

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and they feel that without her, their family will never be complete.

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Perhaps someone watching tonight can help bring Terri Lynn Smith

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back to the ones who still love her as their own.

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John and Jerry Tim Payne met in 1945.

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He was an intern specializing in obstetrics.

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She was a nurse.

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Between 1953 and 1965, John and Jerry had nine children,

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six boys and three girls.

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The Tim Payne household was boisterous and bustling.

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The entire family loved animals and enjoyed an active outdoor life.

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In the summer of 1967, at the ranch where they boarded their two horses,

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the Tim Paynes came to know the manager of the ranch, Herb Smith.

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I'll tell you what, why don't you go get this big guy some carrots?

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Terri, help shadow with the carrots. Will you please?

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Was that your little girl, Herb?

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Herb was divorced. His daughter Terri and son Mark lived with him in a small trailer.

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But Herb felt that the ranch was no place for a young girl.

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He believed that Terri needed a real family.

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I think the first time I saw her, I thought she was rather forlorn.

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Here was this little girl on this large ranch.

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And while she'd loved horses, there were no children for her to play with.

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They were mostly cowboys.

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I was drawn to her because she was so sweet and she was so happy to come and talk to me.

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And I just decided to talk to my husband about it and see if it would be feasible for us to take

another one.

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We always had an extra bed in the house for somebody.

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Herb Smith took Jerry Timpain up on her generous offer.

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In return, Herb insisted that the Timpains allow him to take care of their horses free of charge.

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They promised Herb that they would bring Terri to visit him whenever he wanted.

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In August of 1967, Terri Smith moved into the already overflowing Timpain home.

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Hi, Herb.

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I think in the beginning, she was just a little girl that was staying with us.

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But as the time grew longer and longer, she stayed with us as a sister.

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And she was included in everything in the family, so she therefore became part of the family.

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All the Timpain children grew to love Terri.

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But for Shannon, the youngest, Terri's arrival was a dream come true.

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There was a succession of boys in my family, and I was the youngest little girl.

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I couldn't really hang out with them because they didn't want me to.

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I think Terri and I were especially close because we were so close in age.

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And things seemed to happen to us at the same time.

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We both learned to swim around the same time, and she basically taught me how to ride.

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We got the chicken pox at the same time.

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I think Terri loved being part of the family.

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She'd call them her brothers, she'd call them her sisters, and I think she enjoyed it very much.

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Years passed. The temporary arrangement hadn't effect become permanent.

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None of the Timpains could remember life without Terri.

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She shared in all the family's joys and all their sorrows.

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On May 2nd, 1972, the family was scarred by tragedy.

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46-year-old John Timpain succumbed to cancer.

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Jerry Timpain was forced to go back to work as a nurse.

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Because she had teenage children who could take care of the younger ones at night,

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Jerry worked the graveyard shift.

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That way she could be at home every afternoon when the children returned from school

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and every morning to see them off.

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Of course it was tough, but there was nobody else to do it, and I decided I had to do it.

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That was going to be my future, and I had nine children or ten children to raise, so I did.

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It was work.

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It was fine. I'm just a little tired.

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Is everybody up?

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Shannon and Terri are still sleeping. I think Brendan is too.

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Money became a very big concern, and my mom was not around as much anymore

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because she was now the primary supporter in our family.

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So that also changed because she used to be there all the time.

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Come on, girls. It's time to get off.

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Even though the Timpain family managed to cope,

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having one more mouth to feed was now a problem.

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With a heavy heart, Jerry Timpain realized that she would have to send Terri back to her father.

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Don't bother sitting down. Go brush your teeth.

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And when I told the kids, they said no, they didn't want me to send her back.

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And I said, but it has to be, and I don't want to do it,

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but it's one of those things that happens, and she has her father and she's going to go with him.

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In the summer of 1974, Herb Smith came to take his daughter home.

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Terri had lived with the Timpains for more than six years.

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Come over on Saturday.

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She was very sad. She didn't want to leave.

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We were her family. She'd grown attached to us.

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Goodbye, everyone.

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Bye.

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On the other hand, I think Terri was really excited to go home

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and live with her father again.

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She loved her father a great deal.

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And when she went to visit him on the weekends, it was always a real special thing.

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And she came home with many stories of what they did and where they went.

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If it were summertime, she would come and spend a week with us.

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And she loved coming back. She loved having the swimming pool there.

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She loved having the friends that she had made and the family around her.

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And unfortunately, these started to get less and less

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because they had moved to a different part of the state.

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And it was difficult to get her here.

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In 1980, when Terri was 16, she surprised the Timpains with one final visit.

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It was great seeing you, Terri. You should come by more often.

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The reunion was bittersweet.

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Terri was no longer living with her father.

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And though she had brought her boyfriend with her to meet the Timpains,

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she seemed uneasy and uncertain about her future.

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I got a sense of feeling that she was not as happy as she could be.

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We talked more and then her friend said that it was time to go and they left.

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And that was the last time I saw her.

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I didn't realize that would be the last time I saw Terri

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because if I would have known that, I would have stopped her.

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There would be no way I would have let her go.

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It was very confusing and we were trying to get her to stay

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and we never asked where she was going

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because we were trying so hard to get her to stay.

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And we lost touch.

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I don't think that we ever forgot Terri.

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Everyone has a special place in their hearts for Terri.

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They have their own special relationship and they would not forget that.

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And they want to make sure that she's safe and secure.

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They miss her a lot. Everybody talks about her all the time.

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When we reminisce, we reminisce and everything always includes Terri.

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Join me next time. Perhaps you may be able to help solve a mystery.

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