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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:03,680

This program is about unsolved mysteries.

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Whenever possible, the actual family members and police

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00:00:06,280 --> 00:00:09,280

officials have participated in recreating the events.

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00:00:09,280 --> 00:00:12,120

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

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00:00:16,320 --> 00:00:20,160

Tonight, on a special edition of Unsolved Mysteries,

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at a truck stop in Oklahoma, two hitchhikers,

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unnerved by a man with whom they were traveling,

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tried to get a ride on a truck.

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By a man with whom they were traveling,

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tried to report his strange behavior.

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A few days later, authorities discovered

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00:00:34,880 --> 00:00:38,200

that the man's pickup truck was a stolen vehicle.

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The hitchhikers had unknowingly grabbed a ride

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00:00:40,920 --> 00:00:42,080

with a murder suspect.

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In Naperville, Illinois, a 10-year-old girl

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00:00:48,320 --> 00:00:52,200

was abducted from her home and later brutally murdered.

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Two men were convicted of the crime, and one of them,

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Rolando Cruz, is scheduled to be executed on March 22.

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00:00:59,280 --> 00:01:01,400

But in this most controversial case,

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another man has confessed that he alone killed the girl.

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And some of the evidence supports his claim.

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In Canada, they are known as the lost generation.

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Thousands of Native American children

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00:01:13,560 --> 00:01:16,240

ripped away from their families and their ancestral homes

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to be put up for adoption.

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00:01:18,160 --> 00:01:21,600

Tonight, you may be able to help two families and years

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00:01:21,600 --> 00:01:23,520

of painful forced separation.

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00:01:25,200 --> 00:01:28,560

Join me for another edition of Unsolved Mysteries.

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00:02:25,200 --> 00:02:29,800

February 25, 1983.

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What do you think?

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00:02:30,720 --> 00:02:31,800

You think that'll match?

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00:02:31,800 --> 00:02:34,600

In Naperville, Illinois, a Chicago suburb,

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Chris Nicarico and her friends came home from school

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00:02:37,360 --> 00:02:39,320

to a nightmarish discovery.

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00:02:39,320 --> 00:02:40,480

Oh, my God, you guys.

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00:02:40,480 --> 00:02:42,360

Someone had broken into the house,

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00:02:42,360 --> 00:02:44,440

and her little sister, Janine, was missing.

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00:02:47,800 --> 00:02:49,720

The police were called immediately.

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00:02:49,720 --> 00:02:50,960

What do we got, guys?

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00:02:50,960 --> 00:02:54,440

They found that the front door had been knocked in.

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00:02:54,440 --> 00:02:56,720

A visible footprint remained on the door,

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00:02:56,720 --> 00:02:59,520

and two more prints were found in the yard.

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00:02:59,520 --> 00:03:03,640

A sheet and a blanket were missing from one of the beds.

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00:03:03,640 --> 00:03:06,240

It appeared to me, and I'm sure a couple other guys, too.

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00:03:06,240 --> 00:03:07,480

It was like it was a burglary.

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00:03:07,480 --> 00:03:09,880

Maybe that went bad.

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00:03:09,880 --> 00:03:12,720

She wasn't supposed to be home.

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00:03:12,720 --> 00:03:13,960

Somebody kicks in the door.

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00:03:13,960 --> 00:03:18,280

Next thing you know, she's home, and they take her.

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00:03:18,280 --> 00:03:20,520

Two days later, the young girl's body

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00:03:20,520 --> 00:03:23,000

was discovered in the Illinois Prairie Path,

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00:03:23,000 --> 00:03:26,680

a park less than two miles from her home.

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00:03:26,680 --> 00:03:30,000

10-year-old Janine Nicarico had been brutally raped

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00:03:30,000 --> 00:03:31,000

and beaten to death.

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00:03:33,800 --> 00:03:36,960

Today, two men are in prison for the murder of Janine Nicarico,

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00:03:36,960 --> 00:03:40,160

one facing execution next March 22.

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00:03:40,160 --> 00:03:42,380

Both claim they are innocent, but there's

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00:03:42,380 --> 00:03:44,320

a third man who says he is the killer,

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00:03:44,320 --> 00:03:46,000

and that he acted alone.

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00:03:46,000 --> 00:03:48,440

The prosecutors call him a liar.

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00:03:48,440 --> 00:03:51,120

But so far, three high-level law enforcement officials

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00:03:51,120 --> 00:03:54,680

have quit their jobs to protest the handling of the case.

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They believe that the man currently scheduled to die

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00:03:56,840 --> 00:03:58,840

in five weeks is innocent.

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00:04:03,560 --> 00:04:07,480

In early 1983, an offer of a \$10,000 reward

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led investigators to a man named Alex Hernandez.

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00:04:11,680 --> 00:04:14,840

Hernandez had a reputation for trying to impress people

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00:04:14,840 --> 00:04:17,040

and told police he'd been driving around drinking

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00:04:17,040 --> 00:04:19,320

with several men who had talked about a murder.

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00:04:21,880 --> 00:04:23,280

Well, Rick was talking to the guys.

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00:04:23,280 --> 00:04:24,840

They were passing like a bottle around.

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00:04:24,840 --> 00:04:25,740

OK.

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00:04:25,740 --> 00:04:27,640

And he was talking to them, and he said something

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00:04:27,640 --> 00:04:28,560

about seeing that girl.

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00:04:28,560 --> 00:04:29,960

You got a last name, Alex?

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00:04:29,960 --> 00:04:32,240

No, I don't know his last name.

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00:04:32,240 --> 00:04:35,960

Hernandez had an IQ of 76 and was known around his neighborhood

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00:04:35,960 --> 00:04:38,040

as Crazy Alex.

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00:04:38,040 --> 00:04:40,920

His criminal record listed only one previous arrest

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00:04:40,920 --> 00:04:42,360

for misdemeanor theft.

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00:04:42,360 --> 00:04:43,260

He was crying.

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00:04:43,260 --> 00:04:44,160

I seen him crying.

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00:04:44,160 --> 00:04:45,920

Hernandez named names, but only one

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00:04:45,920 --> 00:04:49,960

provided a possible link to the murder.

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Steve Buckley owned a pair of boots

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00:04:51,680 --> 00:04:54,000

and closely approximated the boot print found

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00:04:54,000 --> 00:04:57,080

on the front door of the Nicarico home.

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00:04:57,080 --> 00:04:59,080

Buckley became a suspect, and police

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00:04:59,080 --> 00:05:03,840

began to think Alex Hernandez knew more than he was telling.

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00:05:03,840 --> 00:05:07,240

Here is somebody who told us about sitting in a car.

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00:05:07,240 --> 00:05:08,680

We figured maybe now he's just trying

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00:05:08,680 --> 00:05:11,160

to shift the guilt away from himself,

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00:05:11,160 --> 00:05:13,600

and maybe he's involved.

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00:05:13,600 --> 00:05:17,200

So he was a prime suspect.

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00:05:17,200 --> 00:05:19,800

So to see what we could find out,

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00:05:19,800 --> 00:05:23,080

we arranged for him to sit down with a person

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00:05:23,080 --> 00:05:25,640

that he would know of who was a burglar out of Aurora.

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00:05:29,880 --> 00:05:31,960

Police put Hernandez in a room with a man

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00:05:31,960 --> 00:05:34,360

he knew from his neighborhood nicknamed Panguirin.

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00:05:40,520 --> 00:05:42,440

Panguino was told to pretend he knew

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00:05:42,440 --> 00:05:45,120

who had murdered another child.

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00:05:45,120 --> 00:05:47,040

Police got Hernandez to cooperate

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00:05:47,040 --> 00:05:49,200

by telling him he was a junior deputy

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00:05:49,240 --> 00:05:51,520

and would get \$10,000 in reward money

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00:05:51,520 --> 00:05:53,640

if he convinced Panguino to talk.

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00:05:53,640 --> 00:05:54,120

Right.

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00:05:54,120 --> 00:05:57,080

Just put it between you, or you can take it home.

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00:05:57,080 --> 00:05:57,680

I don't care.

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00:05:57,680 --> 00:06:00,120

Somebody come up with something today.

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00:06:00,120 --> 00:06:04,040

A detective listened in the hallway outside.

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00:06:04,040 --> 00:06:07,480

We figured that would be a perfect way if he knew anything.

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00:06:07,480 --> 00:06:10,720

Hopefully, all it was is to get out some information,

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00:06:10,720 --> 00:06:11,800

and he was holding back.

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00:06:11,800 --> 00:06:15,320

Hopefully, he would talk easier to his peer, somebody

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00:06:15,320 --> 00:06:16,800

that he knew.

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00:06:17,400 --> 00:06:21,880

The meeting, conducted partly in Spanish,

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00:06:21,880 --> 00:06:24,760

turned into a boasting contest.

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00:06:24,760 --> 00:06:28,240

Panguino claimed he knew about the murder of a young boy.

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00:06:28,240 --> 00:06:31,480

Hernandez claimed he knew about the Nicarico murder.

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00:06:31,480 --> 00:06:35,200

Hernandez even bragged he could show police the crime scene.

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00:06:35,200 --> 00:06:36,760

He said, I was there.

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00:06:36,760 --> 00:06:38,800

I didn't kill her, but I held her down.

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00:06:42,960 --> 00:06:45,160

Police would later drive throughout Naperville

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00:06:45,160 --> 00:06:48,280

with Hernandez, hoping he could identify the Nicarico

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00:06:48,280 --> 00:06:50,960

home or the crime scene.

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00:06:50,960 --> 00:06:53,280

If we didn't run out of gas, we'd probably still be riding.

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00:06:56,800 --> 00:06:57,960

We never found anything.

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00:06:57,960 --> 00:06:59,880

He never could take us any place.

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00:06:59,880 --> 00:07:03,200

He rode around and rode around looking at houses and places

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00:07:03,200 --> 00:07:06,000

that he hoped would be at, I think.

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00:07:06,000 --> 00:07:09,200

But he never could take us to that place.

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00:07:09,200 --> 00:07:11,600

Orlando.

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00:07:11,600 --> 00:07:12,120

Orlando?

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00:07:12,120 --> 00:07:12,620

Cruz?

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00:07:12,620 --> 00:07:13,280

Yeah.

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00:07:13,280 --> 00:07:14,480

Police.

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00:07:15,360 --> 00:07:16,480

I do not.

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00:07:16,480 --> 00:07:18,760

Regardless, police followed the other leads

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00:07:18,760 --> 00:07:21,000

Hernandez had given them.

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00:07:21,000 --> 00:07:25,040

One led to a man named Rolando Cruz.

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00:07:25,040 --> 00:07:27,560

Cruz was 19 years old, unemployed,

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00:07:27,560 --> 00:07:31,480

and surviving on \$75 a month in food stamps.

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00:07:31,480 --> 00:07:33,560

He had been arrested on two occasions,

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00:07:33,560 --> 00:07:36,520

once for trespassing, once for theft.

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00:07:36,520 --> 00:07:37,920

Alex Hernandez?

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00:07:37,920 --> 00:07:40,000

I know him, but I don't hang out with him.

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00:07:40,000 --> 00:07:40,900

Yeah?

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00:07:40,900 --> 00:07:41,800

When was the last time you saw him?

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00:07:41,800 --> 00:07:43,880

They asked me about Alex.

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00:07:43,920 --> 00:07:45,920

I told him that I knew what he looked like, his name.

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00:07:45,920 --> 00:07:47,480

But I didn't know him.

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00:07:47,480 --> 00:07:49,200

Pacificly, I didn't hang around with him or anything

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00:07:49,200 --> 00:07:50,680

like that.

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00:07:50,680 --> 00:07:52,440

Well, we have reason to suspect that Alex

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00:07:52,440 --> 00:07:54,680

was involved in the Nicarico murder.

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00:07:54,680 --> 00:07:56,400

Never heard of him.

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00:07:56,400 --> 00:07:57,920

So you don't know about the reward?

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00:07:57,920 --> 00:08:00,080

I ain't know about no reward, neither.

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00:08:00,080 --> 00:08:01,280

You hear about the reward?

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00:08:01,280 --> 00:08:02,400

I ain't hear about none, neither.

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00:08:02,400 --> 00:08:02,800

No.

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00:08:02,800 --> 00:08:03,320

No.

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00:08:03,320 --> 00:08:06,560

Tempted by the reward money, both Rolando Cruz and Alex

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00:08:06,560 --> 00:08:09,560

Hernandez began to feed police a series of titbits

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00:08:09,560 --> 00:08:11,520

in the murder of Janine Nicarico.

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00:08:11,520 --> 00:08:12,680

\$10,000.

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00:08:12,680 --> 00:08:14,840

In the process, they implicated themselves.

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00:08:14,840 --> 00:08:17,360

They were arrested in conviction of the offenders.

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00:08:17,360 --> 00:08:21,320

One year passed from the date of Janine's death.

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00:08:21,320 --> 00:08:24,760

There was no, the investigation was going nowhere.

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00:08:24,760 --> 00:08:26,840

There was an election that was coming up.

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00:08:26,840 --> 00:08:29,640

And I just believe that the police took whoever

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00:08:29,640 --> 00:08:32,120

was convenient and whatever evidence,

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00:08:32,120 --> 00:08:34,480

no matter how implausible it was,

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00:08:34,480 --> 00:08:36,760

no matter how weak it was, and said,

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00:08:36,760 --> 00:08:41,920

let's bring a criminal prosecution against these people.

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00:08:41,920 --> 00:08:46,160

On March 8, 1984, a grand jury indicted Hernandez, Cruz,

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00:08:46,160 --> 00:08:49,840

and Steve Buckley on 36 counts, including murder, rape,

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00:08:49,840 --> 00:08:52,480

and deviant sexual assault.

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00:08:52,480 --> 00:08:54,600

Once the indictments were handed in,

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00:08:54,600 --> 00:08:58,360

John Sam expected the defendants to roll on each other.

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00:08:58,360 --> 00:09:01,960

To his surprise, it didn't happen.

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00:09:01,960 --> 00:09:04,520

It was kind of like the air was out of the balloon.

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00:09:04,520 --> 00:09:05,280

I mean, that was it.

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00:09:05,280 --> 00:09:07,360

It was like we threw our last trump card,

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00:09:07,360 --> 00:09:09,880

hoping that something was going to come from it and never did.

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00:09:12,040 --> 00:09:13,480

It felt like right then and there,

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00:09:13,480 --> 00:09:16,920

it's time to go on and find someone else.

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00:09:16,920 --> 00:09:19,720

It kind of like, at that point, put it in my mind

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00:09:19,720 --> 00:09:21,880

that these guys just weren't involved.

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00:09:21,880 --> 00:09:22,760

Yeah.

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00:09:22,760 --> 00:09:24,640

Yeah, I got to make sure in front of me.

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00:09:24,640 --> 00:09:26,880

Despite resistance from his superiors,

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00:09:26,880 --> 00:09:30,320

Sam continued investigating on his own.

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00:09:30,320 --> 00:09:33,480

Finally in December of 1984, one month

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00:09:33,480 --> 00:09:35,680

before the three men went on trial,

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00:09:35,680 --> 00:09:39,760

Sam handed in his resignation and cleaned out his desk.

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00:09:39,760 --> 00:09:40,640

Good luck, Sam.

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00:09:41,920 --> 00:09:43,680

See you, John.

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00:09:43,680 --> 00:09:46,200

The real killer was still out there, in my opinion.

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00:09:46,200 --> 00:09:48,440

And we, the police, weren't looking for him.

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00:09:48,440 --> 00:09:51,040

If we weren't looking for him, that meant nobody was looking

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00:09:51,040 --> 00:09:51,880

for him.

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00:09:51,880 --> 00:09:53,520

And therefore, he was still out there,

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00:09:53,520 --> 00:09:57,160

and he could either kill again or he just gets away with it.

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00:09:57,160 --> 00:09:59,400

And that, to me, was the worst part of this whole thing.

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00:10:02,440 --> 00:10:06,160

In January of 1985, Alex Hernandez and Rolando Cruz

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00:10:06,160 --> 00:10:09,080

were convicted of Janine Nicarico's murder.

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00:10:09,080 --> 00:10:11,400

Steve Buckley's trial ended in a hung jury

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00:10:11,400 --> 00:10:12,840

and the prosecution would eventually

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00:10:12,840 --> 00:10:16,520

decide not to retry him.

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00:10:16,520 --> 00:10:19,320

Alex Hernandez and Rolando Cruz were sentenced

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00:10:19,320 --> 00:10:24,400

to die for the murder of 10-year-old Janine Nicarico.

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00:10:24,400 --> 00:10:28,000

Six months later, Elise found the body of seven-year-old Melissa

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00:10:28,000 --> 00:10:31,120

Ackerman in a drainage ditch in Cane County, Illinois,

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00:10:31,120 --> 00:10:33,760

right next to DuPage County.

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00:10:33,760 --> 00:10:37,360

Like Janine, she had been abducted and raped.

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00:10:37,360 --> 00:10:40,040

Five days after Melissa was found dead,

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00:10:40,040 --> 00:10:42,720

a man under arrest for three other sexual assaults

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00:10:42,720 --> 00:10:44,720

was charged with her murder.

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00:10:44,720 --> 00:10:46,320

His name was Brian Dugan.

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00:10:49,880 --> 00:10:52,680

The arrest of Brian Dugan soon cast considerable doubt

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00:10:52,680 --> 00:10:56,200

on the convictions of Rolando Cruz and Alex Hernandez.

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00:10:56,200 --> 00:10:59,200

Dugan wanted to cut a deal, but refused to formally confess

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00:10:59,200 --> 00:11:02,160

without guaranteed immunity from the death penalty.

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00:11:02,160 --> 00:11:04,160

However, to his attorney, he admitted

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00:11:04,160 --> 00:11:07,840

raping and killing three people, Melissa Ackerman,

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00:11:07,840 --> 00:11:14,040

a 27-year-old nurse named Donna Schnorr and Janine Nicarico.

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00:11:14,040 --> 00:11:15,760

How did you leave the body?

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00:11:15,760 --> 00:11:19,120

In other words, like what position?

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00:11:19,120 --> 00:11:19,880

All right.

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00:11:19,880 --> 00:11:23,560

Dugan refused to talk directly to the authorities.

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00:11:23,560 --> 00:11:26,440

Commander Ed Sasowski of the Illinois State Police

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00:11:26,440 --> 00:11:29,440

came up with a list of questions about the Nicarico case

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00:11:29,440 --> 00:11:30,920

and gave them to Dugan's attorney.

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00:11:36,160 --> 00:11:37,040

How you doing?

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00:11:38,040 --> 00:11:41,480

We've got a couple of questions.

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00:11:41,480 --> 00:11:46,200

What kind of a car were you driving on February 25th of 83?

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00:11:46,200 --> 00:11:50,120

On 83, I was driving a green Velari.

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00:11:50,120 --> 00:11:50,720

Green?

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00:11:50,720 --> 00:11:53,620

Yeah.

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00:11:53,620 --> 00:11:56,720

According to Dugan, on the day Janine Nicarico was murdered,

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00:11:56,720 --> 00:11:58,680

he did not go to work.

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00:11:58,680 --> 00:12:01,520

His employer confirmed his absence.

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00:12:01,520 --> 00:12:06,480

Dugan said he prowled through Naperville, smoking marijuana.

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00:12:06,480 --> 00:12:08,480

Sometime in the early afternoon, he

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00:12:08,480 --> 00:12:10,760

knocked on the front door of the Nicarico home.

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00:12:17,160 --> 00:12:18,760

Hello, who is it?

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00:12:18,760 --> 00:12:20,960

I need to borrow a screwdriver.

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00:12:20,960 --> 00:12:21,960

Sorry.

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00:12:21,960 --> 00:12:24,360

The Nicaric's opened the door for strangers.

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00:12:24,360 --> 00:12:25,360

Try next door.

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00:12:25,360 --> 00:12:26,800

Sorry.

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00:12:26,800 --> 00:12:27,700

OK.

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00:12:28,140 --> 00:12:37,540

In point after point, Dugan's description matches the evidence.

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00:12:40,140 --> 00:12:43,300

Dugan claimed that he bound and gagged Janine.

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00:12:43,300 --> 00:12:45,620

He described the sheet in which he wrapped her.

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00:12:45,620 --> 00:12:48,180

Remembered he had taken time to wipe his fingerprints

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00:12:48,180 --> 00:12:50,100

from the doorknob.

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00:12:50,100 --> 00:12:52,580

He also said he was wearing the same brand of boots

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00:12:52,580 --> 00:12:55,140

that matched the print found on the Nicarico door.

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00:12:58,660 --> 00:13:02,660

Dugan described driving Janine to the Illinois Prairie Path.

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00:13:02,660 --> 00:13:05,820

There, he claimed he raped her, beat her with a tire iron,

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00:13:05,820 --> 00:13:06,420

and left her.

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00:13:09,260 --> 00:13:11,380

Dugan's story also matched the testimony

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of two Tollway workers who had reported seeing a white man

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driving a green car on the day of the murder.

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Dugan remembered seeing the man and said

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00:13:20,780 --> 00:13:22,260

that as he drove out of the park,

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00:13:22,260 --> 00:13:25,380

he almost got stuck trying to turn around.

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00:13:25,380 --> 00:13:28,220

His car had tires that were consistent with the tire

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00:13:28,220 --> 00:13:29,700

prints left at the crime scene.

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00:13:29,700 --> 00:13:32,660

What do you think he's going?

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00:13:32,660 --> 00:13:37,140

He said, I did it, and here is how I did it.

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00:13:37,140 --> 00:13:40,060

And here are the details of what I did.

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00:13:40,060 --> 00:13:43,660

And he said it in such a way as to permit the Illinois State

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Police to corroborate each and every of the 50 or so details

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00:13:48,540 --> 00:13:52,860

he gave to Commander Szausky and prove that he and he

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00:13:52,860 --> 00:13:54,220

alone did the crime.

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00:13:56,380 --> 00:13:59,940

A polygraph test given by the Illinois State Police

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00:13:59,940 --> 00:14:03,300

indicated that Dugan was telling the truth.

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Nevertheless, the Page County prosecutors

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00:14:05,940 --> 00:14:08,020

never charged him with Janine's murder

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and never offered him a plea bargain.

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This case is like a runaway train in the sense

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that the prosecutors convicted two men

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and yet refused in light of overwhelming evidence, which

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showed that they had made a mistake to admit that mistake.

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Then in January of 1988, the Supreme Court

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ruled that Cruz and Hernandez should not

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have been tried together and ordered

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new separate trials for each.

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00:14:38,700 --> 00:14:39,600

All rise.

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Two years later, on January 11, 1990,

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00:14:45,380 --> 00:14:48,940

Rolando Cruz went on trial for the second time.

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The defense intended to prove that Brian Dugan alone

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00:14:51,820 --> 00:14:55,140

was responsible for Janine's murder.

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The prosecution, on the other hand,

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theorized that if Dugan had murdered Janine,

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00:14:59,940 --> 00:15:03,420

Cruz and Hernandez were his accomplices.

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Officer Wilcoes, did you have occasion to participate?

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They presented testimony from a police officer

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00:15:08,540 --> 00:15:11,220

who said the Cruz's cousin, Irma Rodriguez,

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00:15:11,220 --> 00:15:14,820

had told him she had seen Dugan and Cruz together.

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When Rodriguez took the stand, she denied it.

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00:15:17,260 --> 00:15:19,660

1989, yes, I did.

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Commander Sosowski.

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Without direct testimony from Dugan,

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the defense had to rely on what state police commander

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Sosowski had learned about Dugan's background

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00:15:29,700 --> 00:15:31,660

and criminal MO.

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00:15:31,660 --> 00:15:34,500

Would you tell the ladies and gentlemen of this jury

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00:15:34,500 --> 00:15:36,700

what you learned about Brian Dugan's background?

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The prosecution, however, objected.

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00:15:38,620 --> 00:15:40,500

I'm going to object unless we are talking about this.

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And the judge did not allow the line of questioning.

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Objection sustained.

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00:15:45,740 --> 00:15:46,460

Commander.

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It was utterly frustrating.

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The jury was not permitted to hear much of the statements

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00:15:53,540 --> 00:15:57,980

made by Dugan confessing the crime of his soul

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00:15:57,980 --> 00:16:02,580

and exclusive participation in the death of Janine Nicarico.

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00:16:02,580 --> 00:16:06,100

Mr. Stonehouse told you that as he processed the outside

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house, the prosecution argued that the footprints found

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00:16:09,500 --> 00:16:13,020

outside the Nicarico home prove several people, not just

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00:16:13,020 --> 00:16:15,980

Dugan, were involved with Janine's murder.

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He found two different distinct shoe impressions.

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They argued that because there were two footprints

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00:16:23,580 --> 00:16:26,380

underneath a dining room window and because there

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00:16:26,380 --> 00:16:28,660

was a boot print on the front door

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00:16:28,660 --> 00:16:30,580

and because the boot print on the front door

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00:16:30,580 --> 00:16:33,900

was different from the two footprints by the window,

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00:16:33,900 --> 00:16:37,180

that therefore Dugan was a liar when he said

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00:16:37,180 --> 00:16:39,060

he committed the crime alone.

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00:16:39,060 --> 00:16:42,180

They said to our jury, there are three different sets

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00:16:42,180 --> 00:16:42,900

of footprints.

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00:16:42,900 --> 00:16:44,540

It must have been three different people

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00:16:44,540 --> 00:16:48,220

involved in the crime.

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00:16:48,220 --> 00:16:50,940

Several months later, a crucial footprint evidence

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00:16:50,940 --> 00:16:53,100

was found to be bogus.

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00:16:53,100 --> 00:16:55,460

Two of the prints were, in fact, a woman's size

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5 and 1 half or six, but the jury never heard this.

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The DuPage County prosecutors say that they were

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unaware of the discrepancy.

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The defense attorneys disagree.

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00:17:06,580 --> 00:17:10,220

The entire theory of the prosecution's case

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was that there were multiple intruders.

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In order to prove that there were multiple intruders,

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they had to show that there were footprints

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00:17:17,140 --> 00:17:19,180

around the perimeter of the house that

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00:17:19,180 --> 00:17:21,460

belonged to the two other people.

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00:17:21,460 --> 00:17:25,940

And they knew that this wasn't a male's shoe

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00:17:25,940 --> 00:17:27,420

and they didn't tell us.

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00:17:27,420 --> 00:17:30,340

They knew that Rolando and Alex and Stephen Buckley

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00:17:30,340 --> 00:17:32,780

couldn't have made those footprints,

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00:17:32,780 --> 00:17:34,660

and they lied about it.

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00:17:34,660 --> 00:17:36,460

Now that's misconduct.

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00:17:36,460 --> 00:17:38,300

And you shouldn't be afraid of the word

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00:17:38,300 --> 00:17:40,220

prosecutorial misconduct.

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00:17:40,220 --> 00:17:45,820

You should point your finger and say, you were wrong.

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00:17:45,820 --> 00:17:48,940

The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Cruz,

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00:17:48,940 --> 00:17:52,580

guilty of the offense of aggravated kidnapping.

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00:17:52,580 --> 00:17:58,100

On February 1, 1990, the jury returned his verdict.

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00:17:58,100 --> 00:18:01,660

The jury finds the defendant, Rolando Cruz,

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00:18:01,660 --> 00:18:05,140

guilty of the offense of murder.

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00:18:05,140 --> 00:18:06,180

I couldn't understand it.

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00:18:06,180 --> 00:18:09,380

I couldn't understand how anybody could have said guilty

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00:18:09,380 --> 00:18:11,260

again.

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00:18:11,260 --> 00:18:13,140

The first reaction was to look back behind me

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00:18:13,140 --> 00:18:16,140

where my mother and my sister were sitting

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00:18:16,140 --> 00:18:19,420

and to make sure that they were OK.

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00:18:19,420 --> 00:18:24,340

And that's my main concern as my family.

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00:18:24,340 --> 00:18:28,060

So I look back at them and I just thought as well,

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00:18:28,060 --> 00:18:29,420

it's got to keep fighting these people.

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00:18:29,420 --> 00:18:32,180

I mean, can't give up.

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00:18:32,180 --> 00:18:34,660

And after all these years, you don't give up.

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00:18:34,660 --> 00:18:38,980

The jury finds the defendant, Alejandro Hernandez,

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00:18:39,460 --> 00:18:40,660

guilty of the offense of aggravated kidnapping.

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00:18:40,660 --> 00:18:43,900

The second trial of Alex Hernandez ended in a hung jury.

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At his third trial, Hernandez was once again

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00:18:46,300 --> 00:18:49,820

found guilty of murder and kidnapping.

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00:18:49,820 --> 00:18:52,820

He was sentenced to 80 years in prison.

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His conviction and sentence are currently under appeal.

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00:18:57,420 --> 00:19:03,220

Rolando Cruz remains on death row awaiting execution.

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00:19:03,220 --> 00:19:07,340

How can you sit there and say, we're going to execute you

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00:19:07,340 --> 00:19:09,660

and though this other person confessed,

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00:19:09,660 --> 00:19:11,740

we think he's lying personally.

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00:19:11,740 --> 00:19:14,060

So we're not putting him on a stand.

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00:19:14,060 --> 00:19:16,460

Well, it's not my understanding is

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00:19:16,460 --> 00:19:19,340

it's not for the state to decide whether I'm guilty.

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00:19:19,340 --> 00:19:20,660

It's for the jury.

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00:19:20,660 --> 00:19:23,020

So put Dugan on a stand, let the jury hear what Dugan's

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00:19:23,020 --> 00:19:24,380

got to say.

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00:19:24,380 --> 00:19:27,260

Let him either be totally discredited

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00:19:27,260 --> 00:19:29,660

or let us prove he's telling the truth

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00:19:29,660 --> 00:19:36,460

and let the jury determine what the outcome is.

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John Sam is not the only person to quit in protest

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00:19:39,300 --> 00:19:42,900

over the handling of Janina Carrico's murder investigation.

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00:19:42,900 --> 00:19:45,620

Phillip Gilman, director of the DuPage County Crime Lab,

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00:19:45,620 --> 00:19:47,620

also left his job.

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00:19:47,620 --> 00:19:51,100

In June of 1992, assistant attorney general Mary Bridget

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Kenny turned in her letter of resignation saying,

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00:19:54,900 --> 00:19:58,380

I have come to believe Rolando Cruz is not guilty.

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00:19:58,380 --> 00:20:00,780

I do not want to be partied to the execution

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00:20:00,780 --> 00:20:02,580

of an innocent man.

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00:20:02,580 --> 00:20:05,300

Rolando Cruz is scheduled to die by lethal injection

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00:20:05,340 --> 00:20:09,620

in just over a month on March 22, 1993.

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00:20:40,500 --> 00:20:44,540

Recently, we featured a story that began in Madisonville,

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Tennessee during the Great Depression.

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In the spring of 1939, Tom Underwood, an out-of-work single

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00:20:55,100 --> 00:20:58,580

father, left his two young daughters Madeline and Ada

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00:20:58,580 --> 00:21:02,980

in the care of a kindly farmer named Charlie Best.

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00:21:02,980 --> 00:21:06,740

Times were hard, but he was willing to take them

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00:21:06,740 --> 00:21:09,780

and give them a home and give them what we had to eat.

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00:21:09,780 --> 00:21:11,180

It might not have been everything,

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00:21:11,180 --> 00:21:13,260

but we never did go hungry.

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00:21:13,260 --> 00:21:14,660

Thank you in Jesus' name.

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00:21:14,660 --> 00:21:15,660

Amen.

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00:21:15,660 --> 00:21:18,700

That's the word of the peace.

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00:21:18,700 --> 00:21:20,340

Madeline and Ada were immediately

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00:21:20,340 --> 00:21:21,780

accepted as part of the family.

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00:21:24,780 --> 00:21:27,500

Charlie treated them as if they were his own children.

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00:21:31,500 --> 00:21:33,860

Over the next two years, Tom Underwood

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00:21:33,860 --> 00:21:36,940

visited his daughters on several occasions.

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00:21:36,940 --> 00:21:40,740

Then in the spring of 1941, he returned to the farmhouse

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00:21:40,740 --> 00:21:41,740

for the final time.

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00:21:48,260 --> 00:21:50,620

Ian, Mr. Underwood.

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00:21:50,620 --> 00:21:52,820

Zellamay, I come for the children.

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00:21:52,820 --> 00:21:54,500

It's coming on nightfall, and I need

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00:21:54,500 --> 00:21:55,500

to be on the road for dark.

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00:21:55,500 --> 00:21:56,900

If you'll just pack some things for me.

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00:21:56,900 --> 00:22:00,700

That afternoon, Tom Underwood left with his daughters.

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00:22:00,700 --> 00:22:03,500

The Best family never saw Madeline or Ada again.

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00:22:07,980 --> 00:22:12,540

At the time we filmed the story, Charlie Best was 96 years old.

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00:22:12,540 --> 00:22:16,300

Although he had not seen Madeline or Ada in more than 50 years,

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00:22:16,300 --> 00:22:18,900

they were never far from his thoughts.

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00:22:18,900 --> 00:22:21,740

Is he cold enough for you today?

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00:22:21,740 --> 00:22:24,180

He don't look at him as being women.

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00:22:24,180 --> 00:22:26,620

He calls them the little girls.

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00:22:26,620 --> 00:22:28,220

This the other day, he said, have you

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00:22:28,260 --> 00:22:31,340

heard any more about the little girls?

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00:22:31,340 --> 00:22:34,140

And I said, no daddy, but they're coming.

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00:22:34,140 --> 00:22:34,860

They're coming.

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00:22:38,140 --> 00:22:42,220

The night the story aired, Ada Underwood, now 59 years old,

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00:22:42,220 --> 00:22:45,500

was watching our broadcast at her home in Indiana.

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00:22:45,500 --> 00:22:47,860

Ada was shocked to see herself and her older sister,

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00:22:47,860 --> 00:22:49,700

Madeline, profiled.

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00:22:49,700 --> 00:22:52,900

Sadly, Madeline passed away several years ago.

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00:22:52,900 --> 00:22:55,300

But for Ada, Charlie and Zellamay

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00:22:55,340 --> 00:22:57,460

story is their distant childhood memories.

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00:23:00,620 --> 00:23:03,700

10 days after our broadcast, Ada Underwood

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00:23:03,700 --> 00:23:05,860

traveled to Madisonville, Tennessee

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00:23:05,860 --> 00:23:08,500

for a very special reunion with Charlie Best

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00:23:08,500 --> 00:23:11,580

and his two children, Zellamay and Carl.

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00:23:14,300 --> 00:23:15,900

Well, I was anxious to see her.

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00:23:15,900 --> 00:23:19,500

It was exciting to know she was coming.

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00:23:19,500 --> 00:23:23,700

Well, you still look like you said, old blood oldie.

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00:23:23,700 --> 00:23:26,420

When you got to come, it is.

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00:23:26,420 --> 00:23:30,420

It's the day I have been waiting for, for up,

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00:23:30,420 --> 00:23:32,380

really for 50 more years.

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00:23:32,380 --> 00:23:34,300

Yeah.

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00:23:34,300 --> 00:23:35,820

How was your father?

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00:23:35,820 --> 00:23:39,100

Well, getting that kind of old.

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00:23:39,100 --> 00:23:42,700

I was very excited when I heard that they were looking for me

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00:23:42,700 --> 00:23:44,780

because somebody cared enough about me

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00:23:44,780 --> 00:23:45,900

to hump over me that long.

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00:23:50,420 --> 00:23:52,540

Although only eight years old when she last

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00:23:52,580 --> 00:23:56,220

saw Charlie, Ada never forgot the warmth and kindness

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00:23:56,220 --> 00:23:58,300

he and his family brought into her life.

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00:24:01,780 --> 00:24:05,420

Well, this year is eight of that, as you remember.

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00:24:05,420 --> 00:24:08,140

Charlie had to be very good to my sister and I

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00:24:08,140 --> 00:24:11,700

for him to take us in and take care of us when we had no blood.

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00:24:11,700 --> 00:24:14,180

He also take care of us.

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00:24:14,180 --> 00:24:18,700

So I think he had to be a really great man.

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00:24:18,700 --> 00:24:19,660

You're pretty.

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00:24:19,660 --> 00:24:21,100

Thank you.

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00:24:21,100 --> 00:24:22,100

You're pretty.

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00:24:22,740 --> 00:24:23,900

You look like you used to be.

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00:24:23,900 --> 00:24:25,940

It just meant a lot to daddy.

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00:24:25,940 --> 00:24:31,420

And I feel that in his own mind, a dream has come true.

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00:24:43,780 --> 00:24:46,420

Sadly, eight weeks after we filmed this update,

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00:24:46,420 --> 00:24:48,860

Charlie best passed away.

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00:24:48,860 --> 00:24:51,340

According to his family, the reunion with Ada

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00:24:51,340 --> 00:24:54,140

brought Charlie great comfort in his final days.

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00:25:06,300 --> 00:25:07,620

All right.

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00:25:07,620 --> 00:25:08,420

It's crowding.

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00:25:08,420 --> 00:25:09,300

I can see the head.

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00:25:09,300 --> 00:25:10,300

Come on.

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00:25:10,300 --> 00:25:11,300

One more big push.

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00:25:11,300 --> 00:25:12,300

Come on.

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00:25:12,300 --> 00:25:13,780

Come on.

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00:25:13,780 --> 00:25:17,260

February 4, 1969.

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00:25:17,260 --> 00:25:19,860

In Manitoba, Canada, Dorothy Meaches,

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00:25:19,860 --> 00:25:22,340

a member of the Plains Ojibwe Indian Nation,

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00:25:22,340 --> 00:25:23,500

gave birth to a daughter.

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00:25:26,220 --> 00:25:28,060

She named the baby Priscilla.

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00:25:28,060 --> 00:25:31,100

But Dorothy's joy will be all too brief.

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00:25:31,100 --> 00:25:33,780

Even though she was unmarried and living with her parents,

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00:25:33,780 --> 00:25:35,660

she already had five children.

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00:25:40,500 --> 00:25:42,180

You need to sign here.

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00:25:42,180 --> 00:25:45,220

Within days, a social worker convinced Dorothy

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00:25:45,220 --> 00:25:48,780

to give up her new baby.

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00:25:48,780 --> 00:25:52,340

What I thought, me, when I was signing those papers,

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00:25:52,340 --> 00:25:54,460

I thought they were going to place her in a home for a few

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00:25:54,460 --> 00:25:57,060

months until I got back on my feet

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00:25:57,060 --> 00:25:59,980

to get a place of my own so I can get her back.

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00:25:59,980 --> 00:26:04,140

But all this time, those were adoption papers I was signing.

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00:26:04,140 --> 00:26:08,460

People were in difficulty, as in all communities.

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00:26:08,460 --> 00:26:10,020

Difficulties occur.

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00:26:10,020 --> 00:26:14,700

And rather than any rehabilitative work,

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00:26:14,700 --> 00:26:18,260

any type of counseling, any type of resources being placed,

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00:26:18,260 --> 00:26:20,700

and those homes or in those communities,

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00:26:20,700 --> 00:26:21,940

children were taken out.

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00:26:24,740 --> 00:26:27,740

You're doing the right thing, Dorothy.

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00:26:27,740 --> 00:26:30,180

It should be well taken care of.

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00:26:30,180 --> 00:26:32,740

Two decades ago, what happened to Dorothy Meaches

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00:26:32,740 --> 00:26:34,940

was not uncommon on Indian reservations

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00:26:34,940 --> 00:26:36,780

throughout Canada.

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00:26:36,780 --> 00:26:40,220

Families torn apart by a well-meaning but misguided

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00:26:40,220 --> 00:26:41,700

social welfare system.

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00:26:44,540 --> 00:26:48,140

However, Dorothy and Priscilla were more fortunate than most.

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00:26:48,180 --> 00:26:51,740

In 1987, they would be reunited through the Native Adoption

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00:26:51,740 --> 00:26:53,860

Registry and win a peg Manitoia.

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00:26:56,980 --> 00:27:01,020

I feel hurt sometimes because she wasn't raised up with us.

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00:27:01,020 --> 00:27:03,900

I didn't see her since she was small.

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00:27:03,900 --> 00:27:10,180

Like, it's nice to have her back with the family.

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00:27:10,180 --> 00:27:11,580

I am happy that I did this.

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00:27:11,580 --> 00:27:14,300

I'm glad that I found my family.

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00:27:14,300 --> 00:27:17,420

And if there are, there are other children out there

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00:27:17,420 --> 00:27:18,780

that are looking for their parents,

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00:27:18,780 --> 00:27:20,380

I would advise them to do it.

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00:27:20,380 --> 00:27:22,780

Because it's something that they would like.

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00:27:22,780 --> 00:27:24,700

If they'd like to know about their family,

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00:27:24,700 --> 00:27:25,980

they may as well give it a chance,

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00:27:25,980 --> 00:27:27,460

because their families are probably

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00:27:27,460 --> 00:27:28,420

looking for them right now.

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00:27:31,340 --> 00:27:35,140

During the 1960s and 70s, thousands of Native American

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00:27:35,140 --> 00:27:38,060

children were removed from their tribal homelands in Canada

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00:27:38,060 --> 00:27:40,460

and placed with adoptive parents.

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00:27:40,460 --> 00:27:43,860

Many of them white, many of them in the United States.

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00:27:43,860 --> 00:27:46,580

It was a system born of cultural misunderstanding,

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00:27:46,620 --> 00:27:49,860

which has since proven to be a colossal mistake.

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00:27:49,860 --> 00:27:53,500

This forced exodus of children has created a lost generation,

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00:27:53,500 --> 00:27:56,180

which can never fully be replaced.

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00:27:56,180 --> 00:27:58,860

Perhaps some in our audience will be able to fulfill

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00:27:58,860 --> 00:28:00,940

two families' dreams of reunion.

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00:28:06,180 --> 00:28:10,820

When her mother died in 1972, 14-year-old Glenda Key-Wayton

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00:28:10,820 --> 00:28:14,100

Capo stood with her father at the funeral.

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00:28:14,100 --> 00:28:16,940

Glenda had no way of knowing that she and her six brothers

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00:28:16,940 --> 00:28:20,820

and sisters would soon become part of Canada's lost generation.

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00:28:20,820 --> 00:28:24,780

God have mercy on her soul.

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00:28:24,780 --> 00:28:27,500

Just hours after the funeral, a social worker

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00:28:27,500 --> 00:28:29,820

arrived, unannounced, at their home.

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00:28:29,820 --> 00:28:31,220

I'm going to get younger children today.

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00:28:31,220 --> 00:28:32,220

That's some.

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00:28:32,220 --> 00:28:33,300

I'm Gail and Maureen.

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00:28:33,300 --> 00:28:34,580

Yeah, Gail and Maureen.

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00:28:34,580 --> 00:28:35,780

And then I'll be back later in the week

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00:28:35,780 --> 00:28:38,100

for the rest of the children, OK?

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00:28:38,100 --> 00:28:41,620

I think my father was in shock still.

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00:28:41,620 --> 00:28:47,100

Because when I look back now, I remember my dad.

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00:28:47,100 --> 00:28:53,500

When you talk to him, he'd just say, yeah,

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00:28:53,500 --> 00:28:55,620

just agreeing with everything.

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00:28:55,620 --> 00:28:57,500

He'd have come down to the office sometime

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00:28:57,500 --> 00:28:58,820

to sign some documents.

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00:28:58,820 --> 00:29:00,860

He was real quiet.

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00:29:00,860 --> 00:29:03,860

So could you call over Maureen and Gail?

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00:29:03,860 --> 00:29:07,700

Gail, Maureen, come here.

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00:29:07,700 --> 00:29:11,580

Within a week, all seven children will be taken away.

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00:29:11,620 --> 00:29:14,420

Maureen and Gail adopted the older sister's

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00:29:14,420 --> 00:29:16,140

center relatives.

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00:29:16,140 --> 00:29:18,020

Glenda and her three brothers placed

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00:29:18,020 --> 00:29:20,580

in separate foster homes.

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00:29:20,580 --> 00:29:22,420

Are you taking me to Mommy?

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00:29:27,620 --> 00:29:32,620

I think my dad was really, really hurt.

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00:29:32,620 --> 00:29:35,100

But I think at the time too, my dad

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00:29:35,100 --> 00:29:37,700

felt like he was doing what was best.

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00:29:42,380 --> 00:29:44,780

My girls.

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00:29:44,780 --> 00:29:45,940

Come on, let's go.

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00:29:45,940 --> 00:29:48,420

There's a lot of fear and not only

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00:29:48,420 --> 00:29:52,060

like what was going to happen to the rest of us.

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00:29:52,060 --> 00:29:54,340

And I get somehow feeling like we weren't

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00:29:54,340 --> 00:29:55,540

going to see each other again.

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00:29:58,940 --> 00:30:01,500

Fortunately, Glenda was wrong.

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00:30:01,500 --> 00:30:04,340

Over the last few years, all the Kiwet and Kapo children

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00:30:04,340 --> 00:30:07,220

have been reunited, except one.

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00:30:07,220 --> 00:30:10,260

There is no existing photograph of Maureen Francis Kiwet

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00:30:10,260 --> 00:30:11,580

and Kapo.

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00:30:11,580 --> 00:30:15,580

She was born on June 29, 1968, and was adopted by a family

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00:30:15,580 --> 00:30:17,660

in Brandon, Manitoba.

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00:30:17,660 --> 00:30:19,860

Like many of Canada's lost generation,

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00:30:19,860 --> 00:30:22,260

Maureen is the youngest in her family.

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00:30:22,260 --> 00:30:25,380

Sadly, it seems the little ones are hardest to find.

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00:30:28,420 --> 00:30:30,620

When Sandra Seton was just nine years old,

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00:30:30,620 --> 00:30:32,700

her family was broken apart.

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00:30:32,700 --> 00:30:35,460

She is still searching for her two youngest brothers.

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00:30:40,340 --> 00:30:41,140

Hi, Dad.

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00:30:45,100 --> 00:30:46,940

Where are you going?

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00:30:46,940 --> 00:30:48,340

Mom!

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00:30:48,340 --> 00:30:52,100

Sandra's father was an alcoholic who often beat her mother.

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00:30:52,100 --> 00:30:56,820

In 1969, he was barred from the house by court order.

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00:30:56,820 --> 00:30:59,740

Sandra's mother was forced to take work as a food vendor

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00:30:59,740 --> 00:31:03,100

with a traveling carnival.

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00:31:03,100 --> 00:31:04,900

Sandra, I have something to tell you.

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00:31:04,900 --> 00:31:05,860

What?

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00:31:05,860 --> 00:31:08,460

I'm going to be going away for a few weeks.

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00:31:08,460 --> 00:31:09,980

Why?

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00:31:09,980 --> 00:31:13,820

I'm just not making enough money looking after houses here.

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00:31:13,820 --> 00:31:15,860

Who's going to be watching us?

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00:31:15,860 --> 00:31:17,260

You see that lady over there?

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00:31:17,260 --> 00:31:17,860

Yeah.

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00:31:17,860 --> 00:31:18,660

Her name is Eleanor.

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00:31:18,660 --> 00:31:19,340

She's my friend.

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00:31:19,340 --> 00:31:22,140

She'll be looking after you.

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00:31:22,140 --> 00:31:24,060

When are you coming back home?

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00:31:24,060 --> 00:31:25,300

I'll be back in three weeks.

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00:31:27,740 --> 00:31:32,540

The babysitter stayed with us for a while, and then she left.

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00:31:32,540 --> 00:31:36,380

And so it was just us kids that were home.

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00:31:36,380 --> 00:31:39,620

We were very careful that we didn't want anybody

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00:31:39,620 --> 00:31:40,540

to know we were alone.

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00:31:40,540 --> 00:31:43,820

We were kind of waiting and hoping mom would be back.

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00:31:50,020 --> 00:31:51,180

Hi.

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00:31:51,180 --> 00:31:54,060

Is your mom and your daddy home?

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00:31:54,060 --> 00:31:56,140

Have they been gone a long time?

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00:31:56,140 --> 00:31:57,140

Yes.

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00:31:57,140 --> 00:31:59,900

I'm Mary Williamson from the Welfare Department,

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00:31:59,900 --> 00:32:02,380

and we've come to take you away to somewhere where someone

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00:32:02,380 --> 00:32:05,260

can take care of you, all right?

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00:32:05,260 --> 00:32:06,940

It was just, it happened so fast.

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00:32:06,940 --> 00:32:08,460

They just, you know, come in.

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00:32:08,460 --> 00:32:10,860

They don't really explain anything.

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00:32:10,860 --> 00:32:13,340

You know, they just picked up the kids

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00:32:13,340 --> 00:32:17,260

and then put them in the car.

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00:32:17,260 --> 00:32:19,020

What about us?

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00:32:19,020 --> 00:32:22,020

We're coming back for you.

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00:32:22,020 --> 00:32:26,860

It was real scary, you know, not knowing

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00:32:26,860 --> 00:32:29,300

where they were going to be taken.

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00:32:29,300 --> 00:32:34,140

Kind of go a little dead inside or something.

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00:32:34,140 --> 00:32:38,420

You know, because you just, we were all

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00:32:38,580 --> 00:32:39,180

just kids.

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00:32:44,420 --> 00:32:47,540

Your Honor, a representative of the Children's Aid Society

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00:32:47,540 --> 00:32:50,260

arrived on October 25, 1969.

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00:32:50,260 --> 00:32:53,660

Sandra's mother was summoned before a Winnipeg court.

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00:32:53,660 --> 00:32:55,420

The director of the Children's Aid Society

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00:32:55,420 --> 00:32:57,380

is petitioning the court at this time

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00:32:57,380 --> 00:33:01,460

for custody of Mississeton's six children.

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00:33:01,460 --> 00:33:04,500

I read the material.

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00:33:04,500 --> 00:33:11,020

Are you the mother of Sandra, Wanda, Brenda, Chesley?

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00:33:11,020 --> 00:33:11,980

Could you please stand?

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00:33:14,860 --> 00:33:16,980

A lot of our people showed up in court,

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00:33:16,980 --> 00:33:20,220

but they were so intimidated by that whole process

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00:33:20,220 --> 00:33:23,420

that with the social worker sitting up there and giving

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00:33:23,420 --> 00:33:27,460

evidence and saying, how bad these people are.

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00:33:27,460 --> 00:33:31,020

Most cases, the parents just kind of snuck out the back door

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00:33:31,020 --> 00:33:33,100

and just went away, because they were so

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00:33:33,140 --> 00:33:34,940

intimidated by the whole process.

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00:33:34,940 --> 00:33:37,940

And they were so ashamed of what the social worker

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00:33:37,940 --> 00:33:40,300

was saying about them.

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00:33:40,300 --> 00:33:43,980

Having reviewed the material, and there's no opposition

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00:33:43,980 --> 00:33:48,740

by the mother, the order will go as applied for.

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00:33:48,740 --> 00:33:51,580

And the children placed in the custody

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00:33:51,580 --> 00:33:55,620

of the director of child welfare.

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00:33:55,620 --> 00:33:58,580

They were sort of just in there and out of there again.

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00:33:58,580 --> 00:34:05,580

I'm really not understanding too much.

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00:34:05,580 --> 00:34:09,860

I always prayed for my mom and my dad,

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00:34:09,860 --> 00:34:15,860

and wherever my brothers and sisters were, every day,

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00:34:15,860 --> 00:34:18,940

hoping that we'd all get back together again,

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00:34:18,940 --> 00:34:24,780

and somehow make things work.

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00:34:24,780 --> 00:34:28,500

In 1971, Sandra was reunited with her two sisters,

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00:34:28,500 --> 00:34:30,340

Wanda and Brenda.

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00:34:30,340 --> 00:34:32,340

In 1988, they found their brother,

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00:34:32,340 --> 00:34:35,740

Chesley, who'd been adopted in the United States.

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00:34:35,740 --> 00:34:38,220

Along the way, they also found their mother,

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00:34:38,220 --> 00:34:40,780

who was joined in the search for the two youngest boys,

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00:34:40,780 --> 00:34:43,860

Calvin and Bernard.

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00:34:43,860 --> 00:34:47,900

It's very hard, because I think about them all the time.

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00:34:47,900 --> 00:34:51,220

In anything I do, I pray for them every night

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00:34:51,220 --> 00:34:54,860

that someday we'll all be a family again.

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00:34:54,860 --> 00:34:57,140

I believe that they're out there,

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00:34:57,140 --> 00:35:01,580

and they're wondering too about us.

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00:35:01,580 --> 00:35:06,780

I just feel it, and somewhere, I'm

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00:35:06,780 --> 00:35:09,700

going to find Calvin and Bernie.

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00:35:09,700 --> 00:35:13,140

I just think it's going to be real soon too.

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00:35:16,220 --> 00:35:18,540

On the night this story aired in Canada,

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00:35:18,540 --> 00:35:21,540

Bernie's adoptive parents and one of Calvin's former foster

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00:35:21,540 --> 00:35:23,780

mothers were watching the show.

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00:35:23,780 --> 00:35:25,620

Through their efforts in cooperation,

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00:35:25,620 --> 00:35:27,620

the two brothers were put in touch with their sister,

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00:35:27,620 --> 00:35:30,860

Sandra, three weeks after our broadcast,

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00:35:30,860 --> 00:35:32,620

everything was arranged.

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00:35:32,620 --> 00:35:38,060

March 4, 1993 would be a day of reunions, joy, and tears.

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00:35:41,300 --> 00:35:44,000

At 10 30 AM, Sandra and her mother,

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00:35:44,000 --> 00:35:46,100

Myrna, were at the Winnipeg Airport,

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00:35:46,100 --> 00:35:49,660

awaiting the arrival of Bernie.

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00:35:49,660 --> 00:35:53,580

I had such an anxious feeling, just looking and wondering,

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00:35:53,580 --> 00:35:55,380

because we hadn't seen Bernie at all.

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00:35:55,380 --> 00:35:57,260

We just didn't see no picture.

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00:35:57,260 --> 00:36:02,340

And I was, oh, I just, and all of a sudden, his face just,

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00:36:02,340 --> 00:36:04,060

you know, sort of just was right there.

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00:36:04,060 --> 00:36:06,660

And I thought, oh, that's him.

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00:36:06,660 --> 00:36:07,660

Oh, and then.

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00:36:07,820 --> 00:36:08,720

Oh.

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00:36:24,220 --> 00:36:28,060

With Bernie back in the fold, the group headed to Myrna's house,

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00:36:28,060 --> 00:36:29,740

or they knew Calvin would be waiting.

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00:36:38,660 --> 00:36:39,660

Oh, my God.

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00:36:42,300 --> 00:36:44,580

In his youth, Calvin had been shunted

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00:36:44,580 --> 00:36:47,740

about to 14 different foster families.

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00:36:47,740 --> 00:36:51,500

Now he was finally home again after nearly 25 years.

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00:36:51,500 --> 00:36:52,400

Bernie?

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00:36:52,400 --> 00:36:53,380

Bernie.

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00:36:53,380 --> 00:36:55,860

Hey, hey, you know what's so little.

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00:36:55,860 --> 00:36:57,900

It feels really good to be taken in instead

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00:36:57,900 --> 00:37:00,220

of being pushed away.

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00:37:00,220 --> 00:37:02,260

Hey, like this is a big switch for me.

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00:37:02,260 --> 00:37:04,140

And I'm happy.

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00:37:08,020 --> 00:37:10,300

If I knew bigger words, I probably

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00:37:10,300 --> 00:37:12,900

could say some big word that would describe how I feel right

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00:37:12,900 --> 00:37:13,140

now.

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00:37:13,140 --> 00:37:18,140

But there's no words that I can think of that describes this.

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00:37:18,140 --> 00:37:22,260

Just, you know, it's the beginning.

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00:37:22,260 --> 00:37:25,980

I just think it's the beginning of a good thing.

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00:37:25,980 --> 00:37:26,740

It's all good.

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00:37:26,740 --> 00:37:27,980

It feels great.

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00:37:27,980 --> 00:37:31,540

Just great that there's a piece of my life put together,

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00:37:31,540 --> 00:37:35,380

which I think all my friends knew that there was a piece missing.

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00:37:35,380 --> 00:37:38,260

Maybe this is just the part to my life that was missing.

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00:37:42,500 --> 00:37:46,220

It's got so much to talk about, you know?

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00:37:46,220 --> 00:37:46,820

So much.

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00:37:46,820 --> 00:37:49,060

It's just a really great feeling.

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00:37:49,060 --> 00:37:50,220

There is a piece, you know?

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00:37:50,220 --> 00:37:58,660

There's always that piece of my heart somehow just needed

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00:37:58,660 --> 00:38:03,220

to know that they were OK.

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00:38:03,220 --> 00:38:05,180

Each one of us has our own lives,

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00:38:05,180 --> 00:38:08,660

but it's so good to know that we have family.

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00:38:24,860 --> 00:38:29,300

On May 20, 1991, the Henderson family of Washburn, Texas

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00:38:29,300 --> 00:38:33,460

gathered to bid farewell to one of its members.

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00:38:33,460 --> 00:38:36,820

66-year-old Bill Henderson, a retired banker,

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00:38:36,820 --> 00:38:40,340

had been plagued by heart and lung problems for years.

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00:38:40,340 --> 00:38:42,620

But the grief his family felt was compounded

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00:38:42,620 --> 00:38:45,020

by anguish and anger.

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00:38:45,020 --> 00:38:48,100

For Bill Henderson to not succumb to illness,

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00:38:48,100 --> 00:38:52,020

he had been murdered in his own bedroom.

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00:38:52,020 --> 00:38:56,260

I'm mad about what happened to my dad.

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00:38:56,260 --> 00:38:57,700

I felt like he was cheated.

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00:39:03,860 --> 00:39:08,020

I felt like my whole family was cheated,

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00:39:08,020 --> 00:39:10,780

and it was very brutal.

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00:39:18,380 --> 00:39:19,780

Others plenty meeting the freezer,

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00:39:19,780 --> 00:39:21,740

and that'll take care of you until Saturday

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00:39:21,740 --> 00:39:23,340

when I see you again, OK?

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00:39:23,340 --> 00:39:24,860

I'll be fine.

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00:39:24,860 --> 00:39:29,180

On May 12, 1991, Bill Henderson said goodbye to his wife,

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00:39:29,180 --> 00:39:32,500

granddaughter, and great-granddaughter.

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00:39:32,500 --> 00:39:35,100

They were off to visit relatives in Austin, Texas,

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00:39:35,100 --> 00:39:38,100

more than 400 miles away.

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00:39:38,100 --> 00:39:40,580

Bill's failing health prevented him from leaving home

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00:39:40,580 --> 00:39:43,180

for long periods.

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00:39:43,180 --> 00:39:45,780

Over the next three days, Bill stayed in touch

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00:39:45,780 --> 00:39:48,340

with other family members.

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00:39:48,340 --> 00:39:51,140

Then for an entire day, no one heard from him.

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00:39:52,140 --> 00:39:57,820

Finally, on May 16, Bill's son, Gary,

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00:39:57,820 --> 00:40:01,060

tried to reach him by phone.

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00:40:01,060 --> 00:40:05,140

Started calling my dad about 1 o'clock, I guess.

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00:40:05,140 --> 00:40:09,020

And every time I called, it was just a busy signal.

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00:40:09,020 --> 00:40:14,020

So I didn't really know if the phones were just off the hook

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00:40:14,020 --> 00:40:16,220

or what happened.

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00:40:16,220 --> 00:40:18,740

We're as afraid that maybe you may have had a heart attack

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00:40:18,740 --> 00:40:22,100

or some health problem and was sick in the house

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00:40:22,100 --> 00:40:23,660

and couldn't get to the telephone,

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00:40:23,660 --> 00:40:26,500

or maybe had been trying to call for help

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00:40:26,500 --> 00:40:28,460

and dropped the telephone or something like that.

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00:40:28,460 --> 00:40:29,420

That's what we're as afraid of.

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00:40:32,460 --> 00:40:35,740

Concerned, Gary, Frank, and Frank's stepdaughter, Sherry,

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00:40:35,740 --> 00:40:38,020

went to Bill's house to investigate.

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00:40:38,020 --> 00:40:38,940

This truck's not up front.

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00:40:38,940 --> 00:40:39,820

I don't know where he is.

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00:40:39,820 --> 00:40:41,780

The concern turned to alarm when they

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00:40:41,780 --> 00:40:43,940

noticed that Bill's pickup truck was gone.

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00:40:49,100 --> 00:40:50,260

Dad?

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00:40:50,260 --> 00:40:52,340

When we arrived at my dad's house,

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00:40:52,340 --> 00:40:56,020

that phone in the kitchen was off the hook.

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00:40:56,020 --> 00:40:59,500

My brother-in-law, Frank, went over and hung that phone up.

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00:40:59,500 --> 00:41:03,020

And then I decided to go on through the house

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00:41:03,020 --> 00:41:04,180

and check the other phone.

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00:41:04,180 --> 00:41:10,100

So I was walking down the hall, saw my dad's glasses,

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00:41:10,100 --> 00:41:13,300

broken glasses laying in the floor.

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00:41:13,300 --> 00:41:16,340

Really, I still didn't think a whole lot about it

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00:41:16,340 --> 00:41:18,740

until we got on down to the hall,

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00:41:18,740 --> 00:41:21,740

and there was a picture laying in the floor.

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00:41:21,740 --> 00:41:25,940

And that's when I saw my father laying in the floor

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00:41:25,940 --> 00:41:28,340

and we all tore up.

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00:41:28,340 --> 00:41:29,340

Frank?

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00:41:29,340 --> 00:41:30,980

Frank!

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00:41:30,980 --> 00:41:35,180

Frank come into the room, and he fell to my dad.

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00:41:35,180 --> 00:41:38,380

And my dad had been, he was cold.

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00:41:38,380 --> 00:41:39,660

He'd been there for a while.

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00:41:39,660 --> 00:41:48,020

And I remember telling Frank that I think it's too late

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00:41:48,020 --> 00:41:49,380

or something like that.

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00:41:49,380 --> 00:41:53,580

And Frank told me that he didn't think my dad died

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00:41:53,580 --> 00:41:55,940

of a heart attack, that it looked like he was murdered.

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00:41:58,740 --> 00:42:01,100

Bill Henderson had been strangled and beaten

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00:42:01,100 --> 00:42:04,380

to death with an electric iron, a full eight to 10 hours

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00:42:04,380 --> 00:42:07,140

before he was found.

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00:42:07,180 --> 00:42:10,220

This was an extremely violent murder.

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00:42:10,220 --> 00:42:13,700

The man was beaten time and time again.

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00:42:13,700 --> 00:42:18,260

And it was extremely obvious to us also

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00:42:18,260 --> 00:42:23,740

that Mr. Henderson had put up a fight for his life.

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00:42:23,740 --> 00:42:26,220

Police were puzzled by the lack of an apparent motive

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00:42:26,220 --> 00:42:28,340

for such a brutal killing.

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00:42:28,340 --> 00:42:31,300

The only item missing other than Bill's pickup truck

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00:42:31,300 --> 00:42:32,020

was his wallet.

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00:42:32,300 --> 00:42:39,700

Then five days later, a man walking along Interstate 40,

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00:42:39,700 --> 00:42:44,860

90 miles east of Amarillo, made a curious discovery.

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00:42:44,860 --> 00:42:46,180

Bill Henderson's wallet.

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00:42:50,420 --> 00:42:52,900

The next day, Bill Henderson's pickup truck

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00:42:52,900 --> 00:42:56,260

was discovered abandoned just outside of Chicago, Illinois,

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00:42:56,260 --> 00:42:59,300

more than 1,000 miles from Amarillo.

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00:42:59,300 --> 00:43:00,900

Police searched the vehicle, but found

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00:43:00,900 --> 00:43:03,580

no clues it should lead them to a suspect.

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00:43:03,580 --> 00:43:06,060

But they did learn of two eyewitnesses who not only

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00:43:06,060 --> 00:43:09,060

saw the killer, but actually spent the day with them

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00:43:09,060 --> 00:43:10,980

riding in Bill Henderson's truck.

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00:43:16,660 --> 00:43:21,060

On the day of the murder, some 265 miles east of Washburn,

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00:43:21,060 --> 00:43:25,980

three young men arrived at a truck stop near Oklahoma City.

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00:43:25,980 --> 00:43:29,260

It was immediately obvious that something was not quite right.

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00:43:31,420 --> 00:43:35,300

The truck stop attendant told us that he had two young men come

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00:43:35,300 --> 00:43:38,980

into the truck stop, and they were extremely nervous.

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00:43:38,980 --> 00:43:39,940

Excuse me.

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00:43:39,940 --> 00:43:40,980

You got to do something.

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00:43:40,980 --> 00:43:42,420

That guy stole a pickup truck.

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00:43:42,420 --> 00:43:43,420

What?

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00:43:43,420 --> 00:43:44,420

That guy picked something.

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00:43:44,420 --> 00:43:46,820

They started telling him that the truck they were in,

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00:43:46,820 --> 00:43:47,820

that the man had stolen one.

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00:43:47,820 --> 00:43:48,820

What pickup truck?

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00:43:48,820 --> 00:43:49,820

Out there, the brown one.

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00:43:49,820 --> 00:43:51,300

You got to do something.

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00:43:51,300 --> 00:43:55,980

The two hitchhikers started requesting

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00:43:55,980 --> 00:43:58,580

that he call the police department.

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00:43:58,620 --> 00:44:02,500

8861, Texas.

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00:44:02,500 --> 00:44:04,820

The driver of the truck used the telephone,

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00:44:04,820 --> 00:44:06,780

then went to the restroom.

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00:44:06,780 --> 00:44:09,340

The truck stop attendant took the opportunity

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00:44:09,340 --> 00:44:10,740

to call the police.

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00:44:10,740 --> 00:44:12,980

Yeah.

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00:44:12,980 --> 00:44:15,420

OK, it's not reported stolen.

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00:44:15,420 --> 00:44:18,660

OK, thanks.

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00:44:18,660 --> 00:44:20,820

He got the license number off the truck.

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00:44:20,820 --> 00:44:23,820

He called it in to the local authorities.

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00:44:23,820 --> 00:44:25,700

They run it.

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00:44:25,700 --> 00:44:27,260

And called him back.

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00:44:27,260 --> 00:44:28,780

He said it's not stolen.

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00:44:28,780 --> 00:44:30,260

It's got to be stolen.

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00:44:30,260 --> 00:44:31,580

They said no.

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00:44:31,580 --> 00:44:38,220

The problem we had was that when they ran the license plate

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00:44:38,220 --> 00:44:42,300

number on the truck, we had yet to find Mr. Henderson's body.

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00:44:45,140 --> 00:44:49,060

15 minutes later, the driver of the pickup truck left.

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00:44:49,060 --> 00:44:52,380

The hitchhikers refused to accompany him any further.

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00:44:53,140 --> 00:44:55,780

After the suspect drove off, they

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00:44:55,780 --> 00:44:59,820

were still so insistent on trying to get this man picked up,

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00:44:59,820 --> 00:45:03,740

so scared of him, that they went and dial 911

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00:45:03,740 --> 00:45:06,100

themselves trying to get someone to stop

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00:45:06,100 --> 00:45:08,020

the suspect in the truck.

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00:45:08,020 --> 00:45:10,660

Yeah, I'd like to report a stolen vehicle.

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00:45:10,660 --> 00:45:12,820

Again, sheriff's deputies maintained

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00:45:12,820 --> 00:45:16,980

that no such vehicle had been reported missing.

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00:45:16,980 --> 00:45:19,220

According to the attendant, the two hitchhikers

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00:45:19,380 --> 00:45:21,100

then headed towards the highway.

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00:45:21,100 --> 00:45:23,740

They never gave authorities their names or addresses.

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00:45:26,780 --> 00:45:29,780

Unhampered in his flight, the suspect continued north

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00:45:29,780 --> 00:45:32,820

along Interstate 287.

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00:45:32,820 --> 00:45:34,620

According to police calculations,

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00:45:34,620 --> 00:45:37,420

he would have required at least one stop for refueling

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00:45:37,420 --> 00:45:39,900

before reaching Hazelcrest, Illinois,

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00:45:39,900 --> 00:45:42,460

where he abandoned the pickup truck less than 24 hours later.

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00:45:45,900 --> 00:45:48,100

I think he was a little bit too late.

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00:45:48,900 --> 00:45:53,700

I think it's extremely important that we catch this man.

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00:45:53,700 --> 00:45:58,260

Anybody that will attack an elderly man that is

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00:45:58,260 --> 00:46:03,420

nearly defenseless because of natural disease and illnesses

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00:46:03,420 --> 00:46:05,020

will attack and kill anybody.

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00:46:09,180 --> 00:46:13,740

It hurts to know what Bill had to go through pain and suffering.

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00:46:13,740 --> 00:46:17,020

He had to go through out there before he took

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00:46:17,060 --> 00:46:18,180

his lath breath.

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00:46:18,180 --> 00:46:25,820

And I would just like to see this person caught and tried,

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00:46:25,820 --> 00:46:30,060

convicted, and sentenced.

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00:46:30,060 --> 00:46:31,860

I don't feel like my dad should have

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00:46:31,860 --> 00:46:37,380

had to see something like that leaning over him, you know,

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00:46:37,380 --> 00:46:39,100

as the last thing he ever saw.

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00:46:43,100 --> 00:46:44,700

It just wasn't fair.

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00:46:48,020 --> 00:46:50,580

Who murdered Bill Henderson?

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00:46:50,580 --> 00:46:53,740

Police have but one solitary clue that may ultimately

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00:46:53,740 --> 00:46:56,460

give them an answer.

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00:46:56,460 --> 00:47:00,860

There was a palm print in blood inside the room.

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00:47:00,860 --> 00:47:06,060

It was on an art-type tablet.

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00:47:06,060 --> 00:47:11,140

If we can find the person that matches up

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00:47:11,140 --> 00:47:15,460

to that bloody palm print, then we have our murder suspect.

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00:47:47,620 --> 00:47:51,900

Tomorrow Night on Unsolved Mysteries.

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00:47:51,900 --> 00:47:54,060

Shortly after the death of his grandfather,

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00:47:54,060 --> 00:47:55,900

Donnie Decker's friends and family

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00:47:55,900 --> 00:47:59,300

noticed a change had come over him and his surroundings.

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00:47:59,300 --> 00:48:03,140

Rain appeared everywhere and no one, not even the police,

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00:48:03,140 --> 00:48:04,740

could find its source.

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00:48:04,740 --> 00:48:06,140

But that was only the beginning.

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00:48:09,140 --> 00:48:11,820

San Francisco, the city of shimmering lights.

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00:48:11,820 --> 00:48:13,820

But on February 24, the police were

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00:48:13,820 --> 00:48:15,660

the city of shimmering lights.

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00:48:15,660 --> 00:48:19,220

But on February 24, 1992, across the bay,

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00:48:19,220 --> 00:48:21,580

a bizarre senseless death.

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00:48:21,580 --> 00:48:23,460

Miraculously, Michael Hunter managed

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00:48:23,460 --> 00:48:25,980

to guide his motorcycle into a gas station

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00:48:25,980 --> 00:48:28,300

despite being shot through the heart.

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00:48:28,300 --> 00:48:30,260

Almost later, he was dead.

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00:48:30,260 --> 00:48:34,580

And police would like your help to catch his killer.

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00:48:34,580 --> 00:48:36,620

Join me tomorrow night.

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00:48:36,620 --> 00:48:40,540

Perhaps you may be able to help solve a mystery.