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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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officials have participated in recreating the events.

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

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00:00:16,280 --> 00:00:20,000

What happened to Amy Billig, a pretty 17-year-old who vanished

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without a whisper in 1974, told that her daughter had been

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abducted by a renegade motorist who had been killed

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00:00:28,400 --> 00:00:30,920

by a renegade motorcycle gang.

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Amy's mother infiltrated the dangerous biker world,

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00:00:34,120 --> 00:00:37,720

only to come up empty-handed time and time again.

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00:00:37,720 --> 00:00:40,160

Then in 1992, new evidence surfaced

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00:00:40,160 --> 00:00:43,720

that Amy Billig was still alive more than 18 years

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00:00:43,720 --> 00:00:46,760

after she disappeared.

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00:00:46,760 --> 00:00:49,800

In life, Walter Rice was a reclusive loner.

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In death, he became a beguiling mystery,

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00:00:52,240 --> 00:00:55,120

a man with no known heirs and an unclaimed estate

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00:00:55,120 --> 00:00:58,160

of more than \$140,000.

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00:00:58,160 --> 00:01:03,400

Perhaps someone watching can solve the riddle of Walter Rice.

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00:01:03,400 --> 00:01:06,440

It was a car of his dreams, but Oliver Munson never

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00:01:06,440 --> 00:01:09,200

imagined when he bought it that he'd become a key witness

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in the prosecution of a suspected auto thief.

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00:01:12,160 --> 00:01:14,600

However, Oliver never testified.

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00:01:14,600 --> 00:01:17,120

Just days before the trial, he disappeared

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00:01:17,120 --> 00:01:22,120

and his family fears he became the victim of foul play.

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00:01:22,120 --> 00:01:24,520

Also tonight, we'll take you to Syracuse, New York,

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00:01:24,560 --> 00:01:26,760

for a heartwarming reunion.

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00:01:26,760 --> 00:01:29,360

Thanks to our viewers, a woman's search for her past

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00:01:29,360 --> 00:01:31,600

has finally come to an end.

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00:01:31,600 --> 00:01:32,560

Join me.

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00:01:32,560 --> 00:01:35,360

Perhaps you may be able to help solve a mystery.

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00:02:05,360 --> 00:02:31,080

Thousands of people are reported missing every year.

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00:02:31,080 --> 00:02:33,520

Most come home safely within a few days.

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Those who do not are eventually presumed to be dead.

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00:02:37,160 --> 00:02:39,240

However, in the bizarre case of Amy Billig,

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00:02:39,240 --> 00:02:42,520

who vanished in 1974, the passing years

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00:02:42,520 --> 00:02:44,560

have produced a convincing chain of evidence

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00:02:44,560 --> 00:02:46,920

that she is still alive.

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00:02:46,920 --> 00:02:49,560

Tonight, we join her family in their search,

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00:02:49,560 --> 00:02:51,920

one of the strangest and most provocative cases

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00:02:51,920 --> 00:02:52,960

we have ever profiled.

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00:02:56,320 --> 00:02:59,760

Amy Billig was 17 years old when she disappeared from her home

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00:02:59,760 --> 00:03:01,920

in Coconut Grove, Florida.

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00:03:01,920 --> 00:03:04,320

Amy was an accomplished musician and singer

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00:03:04,320 --> 00:03:06,360

who also wrote poetry and adhered

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00:03:06,360 --> 00:03:08,080

to a strict vegetarian diet.

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00:03:11,680 --> 00:03:14,720

March 5, 1974.

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00:03:14,720 --> 00:03:18,400

Amy came home from school at around noon as usual.

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00:03:18,400 --> 00:03:21,160

She planned to meet friends downtown for lunch.

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00:03:21,160 --> 00:03:25,560

Before leaving, she called her father Ned at work.

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00:03:25,560 --> 00:03:26,440

Hi, Dad.

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00:03:26,440 --> 00:03:27,560

It's me.

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00:03:27,560 --> 00:03:29,920

I just got home from school.

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00:03:29,920 --> 00:03:31,920

I'm going to be curtain-taping for lunch.

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00:03:31,920 --> 00:03:33,960

Can I borrow \$2?

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00:03:33,960 --> 00:03:36,600

Amy never did arrive at her father's business,

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00:03:36,600 --> 00:03:39,240

and she never showed up for her lunch date.

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00:03:39,240 --> 00:03:40,240

I'll see you soon.

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00:03:40,240 --> 00:03:41,140

Bye.

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00:03:43,760 --> 00:03:46,280

I started getting a little frantic when I hadn't

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00:03:46,280 --> 00:03:48,560

heard from Amy by dinnertime, and I

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00:03:48,560 --> 00:03:50,160

called the friend that she had said

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00:03:50,160 --> 00:03:51,840

she was going to be meeting.

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00:03:51,840 --> 00:03:53,240

And the girl was quite angry.

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00:03:53,240 --> 00:03:56,120

She said Amy never showed up.

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00:03:56,120 --> 00:03:59,600

We interviewed all of her family, all of her friends,

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00:03:59,600 --> 00:04:01,280

all of her acquaintances.

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00:04:01,280 --> 00:04:03,920

We did a lot of canvassing of the neighborhood

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00:04:03,920 --> 00:04:05,960

where she was last seen.

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00:04:05,960 --> 00:04:07,920

We did everything we could to try to find her.

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00:04:07,920 --> 00:04:10,520

You know, we checked with hospitals and morgues

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00:04:10,520 --> 00:04:12,560

and police departments all over the state

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00:04:12,560 --> 00:04:14,760

and all over the country.

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00:04:14,760 --> 00:04:17,680

I remember the house was like a flurry of activity

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00:04:17,680 --> 00:04:19,000

when people were coming around.

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00:04:19,000 --> 00:04:20,480

There was a lot of people around the house

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00:04:20,480 --> 00:04:22,640

trying to help out, manning the phones,

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00:04:22,640 --> 00:04:25,400

and there's so many telephone calls coming in.

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00:04:25,400 --> 00:04:27,840

The phones seem to be ringing off the hook.

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00:04:27,840 --> 00:04:28,720

Mom.

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00:04:29,720 --> 00:04:31,880

12 days after Amy's disappearance,

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00:04:31,880 --> 00:04:35,080

a frightened woman phoned with shocking news.

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00:04:35,080 --> 00:04:36,320

Hello?

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00:04:36,320 --> 00:04:39,120

The anonymous caller claimed to be a member of a motorcycle

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00:04:39,120 --> 00:04:41,040

gang known as the Outlaws.

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00:04:41,040 --> 00:04:43,640

And she claimed that the Outlaws had taken Amy.

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00:04:43,640 --> 00:04:44,540

Where?

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00:04:44,540 --> 00:04:45,040

What?

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00:04:45,040 --> 00:04:47,360

What?

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00:04:47,360 --> 00:04:50,400

During the 1970s, renegade biker gang's

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00:04:50,400 --> 00:04:53,680

unnerved communities across the United States.

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00:04:53,680 --> 00:04:56,240

Susan Billig learned that a chapter of the Outlaws,

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00:04:56,240 --> 00:04:58,760

one of the most notorious gangs, had indeed

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00:04:58,800 --> 00:05:02,120

thundered through coconut grove about the time Amy disappeared.

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00:05:06,200 --> 00:05:10,040

We had to consider that maybe Amy was abducted, kidnapped,

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00:05:10,040 --> 00:05:12,080

taken away by these bikers.

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00:05:12,080 --> 00:05:14,160

But it was always controversial with the police

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00:05:14,160 --> 00:05:18,520

because these leads concerning the bikers were always vague

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00:05:18,520 --> 00:05:23,040

and usually ended up nowhere.

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00:05:23,040 --> 00:05:25,240

However, to the Billigs, the biker connection

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00:05:25,240 --> 00:05:27,840

offered a ray of hope, a family friend

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00:05:27,880 --> 00:05:29,880

who had done legal work for the Outlaws

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00:05:29,880 --> 00:05:33,280

arranged for Amy's parents to meet with two gang members.

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00:05:33,280 --> 00:05:33,780

Hi.

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00:05:33,780 --> 00:05:34,680

Welcome to my house.

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00:05:34,680 --> 00:05:35,640

I'm Susan.

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00:05:35,640 --> 00:05:37,400

Pleasure.

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00:05:37,400 --> 00:05:39,000

Why don't you have a seat?

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00:05:39,000 --> 00:05:41,360

I was frightened because I had never seen people like this

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00:05:41,360 --> 00:05:42,400

before in my life.

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00:05:42,400 --> 00:05:43,520

Look, I thought you guys were the favorite of Joe.

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00:05:43,520 --> 00:05:46,840

And here they are, in my living room,

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00:05:46,840 --> 00:05:52,000

I got a feeling of revulsion and hate and love

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00:05:52,000 --> 00:05:53,720

at the same time.

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00:05:53,720 --> 00:05:56,880

I wanted them to give me information about my child,

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00:05:56,880 --> 00:05:58,920

and that was paramount.

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00:05:58,920 --> 00:06:00,800

I didn't care what they looked like.

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00:06:00,800 --> 00:06:02,920

These are pictures of my daughter.

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00:06:02,920 --> 00:06:04,760

She's missing.

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00:06:04,760 --> 00:06:06,120

Thanks, Aner.

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00:06:06,120 --> 00:06:07,560

No.

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00:06:07,560 --> 00:06:11,760

Look, look, she's got brown eyes, long brown hair.

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00:06:11,760 --> 00:06:15,440

She's 17, and she's tall and thin.

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00:06:15,440 --> 00:06:17,720

They told me that these things do happen,

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00:06:17,720 --> 00:06:21,400

that the bikers will take girls and will sell them

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00:06:21,400 --> 00:06:24,280

to one another for very little, like a credit card,

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00:06:25,240 --> 00:06:27,160

takes very little to buy a girl.

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00:06:27,160 --> 00:06:30,120

I was told that you would help me.

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00:06:30,120 --> 00:06:31,560

We'll take the picture.

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00:06:31,560 --> 00:06:33,800

And if she's in the outlaw nation,

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00:06:33,800 --> 00:06:36,600

we'll let you know within two days.

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00:06:36,600 --> 00:06:39,320

Let you know.

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00:06:39,320 --> 00:06:42,760

The two bikers promised to ask other gang members about Amy,

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00:06:42,760 --> 00:06:45,360

but they were never able to provide any information.

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00:06:48,920 --> 00:06:51,160

Amy could have been abducted and then

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00:06:51,160 --> 00:06:54,120

sold from one individual to another.

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00:06:54,120 --> 00:06:57,440

The old lady is a way of making money.

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00:06:57,440 --> 00:07:01,000

They put her out, making the money,

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00:07:01,000 --> 00:07:05,480

either topless dancing, hooking, ripping off credit cards,

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00:07:05,480 --> 00:07:09,640

anything that she can do to bring home the money.

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00:07:09,640 --> 00:07:13,120

To many bikers, women, or as they call them old ladies,

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00:07:13,120 --> 00:07:15,080

were nothing more than property.

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00:07:15,080 --> 00:07:18,320

Susan was stunned to learn that if Amy had been abducted,

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00:07:18,320 --> 00:07:22,320

she wouldn't have been the gang's first victim.

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00:07:22,320 --> 00:07:27,680

Before I turned 13, I had been sold four times.

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00:07:27,680 --> 00:07:31,160

Gina Andrew was abducted by bikers at the age of 12.

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00:07:31,160 --> 00:07:33,640

She escaped five years later.

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00:07:33,640 --> 00:07:36,320

I mean, I was sold for money.

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00:07:36,320 --> 00:07:39,160

I was traded for a motorcycle.

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00:07:39,160 --> 00:07:45,280

I was traded for leather chaps.

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00:07:45,280 --> 00:07:50,880

And that was like all I was worth.

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00:07:50,880 --> 00:07:52,920

For Susan Billig, the thought of her daughter

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00:07:52,920 --> 00:07:55,560

in the hands of the bikers was unbearable.

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00:07:55,560 --> 00:07:57,280

But that was where the leads pointed,

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00:07:57,280 --> 00:07:58,600

and that was where she searched.

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00:08:01,200 --> 00:08:03,320

Three months after Amy's disappearance,

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00:08:03,320 --> 00:08:07,200

her mother Susan tracked the outlaws to Orlando, 160 miles

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00:08:07,200 --> 00:08:08,840

away.

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00:08:08,840 --> 00:08:11,520

There she questioned dozens of people.

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00:08:11,520 --> 00:08:13,640

Finally, the manager of a convenience store

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00:08:13,640 --> 00:08:16,760

told Susan that Amy had come in several times, always

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00:08:16,760 --> 00:08:18,520

escorted by at least two bikers.

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00:08:18,520 --> 00:08:20,240

How long ago?

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00:08:20,240 --> 00:08:22,400

Oh, I don't know, maybe month or so.

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00:08:22,400 --> 00:08:24,840

She came in here a couple of times with some guys.

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00:08:24,840 --> 00:08:26,960

Did she say anything to you?

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00:08:26,960 --> 00:08:28,240

No.

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00:08:28,240 --> 00:08:31,600

But I remember her because she was, each time she came in,

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00:08:31,600 --> 00:08:33,640

she bought vegetarian vegetable soup.

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00:08:33,640 --> 00:08:34,960

And that stuck out in my mind.

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00:08:34,960 --> 00:08:36,560

Vegetarian soup.

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00:08:36,560 --> 00:08:37,360

That's her.

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00:08:37,360 --> 00:08:38,800

A small but stunning detail.

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00:08:38,800 --> 00:08:40,040

This is very important to me.

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00:08:40,040 --> 00:08:42,080

Amy had been a committed vegetarian,

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00:08:42,120 --> 00:08:45,360

and Susan was now convinced that she had picked up Amy's trail.

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00:08:45,360 --> 00:08:46,640

I'll be in the police department.

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00:08:46,640 --> 00:08:47,720

Sure.

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00:08:47,720 --> 00:08:48,640

Thank you very much.

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00:08:48,640 --> 00:08:49,880

I'll do whatever if I see her again.

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00:08:49,880 --> 00:08:50,880

Thank you.

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00:08:50,880 --> 00:08:52,280

Hope you find her.

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00:08:52,280 --> 00:08:54,040

Thanks.

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00:08:54,040 --> 00:08:55,400

However, another year and a half

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00:08:55,400 --> 00:08:59,120

would slip by before Susan got another significant lead.

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00:08:59,120 --> 00:09:03,360

On January 9th, 1976, Amy's 19th birthday,

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00:09:03,360 --> 00:09:06,200

a biker whom we will call Dave, contacted Susan

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00:09:06,200 --> 00:09:09,080

after seeing this picture in a newspaper.

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00:09:09,080 --> 00:09:12,960

They've claimed that he had actually owned Amy at one time.

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00:09:12,960 --> 00:09:15,640

He agreed to talk to Susan, but only at his house

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00:09:15,640 --> 00:09:17,520

and only if he drove Susan there.

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00:09:22,120 --> 00:09:24,120

I thought I might never see my husband again

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00:09:24,120 --> 00:09:25,880

when I got on the back of the bike.

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00:09:25,880 --> 00:09:29,360

I thought I would never see Josh and never see Ned again.

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00:09:29,360 --> 00:09:33,320

But I put it back in my head and I got on the bike and I went.

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00:09:34,200 --> 00:09:37,120

Nobody better follow us back here, lady.

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00:09:37,120 --> 00:09:38,880

He was very nervous about it.

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00:09:38,880 --> 00:09:41,720

He kept looking out the window to see if I had been followed.

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00:09:41,720 --> 00:09:45,120

Just look at this picture and tell me if that's her.

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00:09:45,120 --> 00:09:46,440

Wow.

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00:09:46,440 --> 00:09:47,920

That's her.

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00:09:47,920 --> 00:09:49,320

That's her.

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00:09:49,320 --> 00:09:50,320

Can you tell me about it?

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00:09:50,320 --> 00:09:52,320

Can you describe her so I'll know that you know her?

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00:09:52,320 --> 00:09:55,120

Yeah, she put her first spotter.

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00:09:55,120 --> 00:09:59,120

She had lumps and was all drugged out.

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00:09:59,120 --> 00:10:01,120

And didn't know what to do.

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00:10:01,120 --> 00:10:04,440

Drugged out and didn't talk.

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00:10:04,440 --> 00:10:06,120

He said she was quiet.

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00:10:06,120 --> 00:10:09,640

She didn't speak to anybody that she was afraid of everybody.

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00:10:09,640 --> 00:10:11,800

He said she was like mute.

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00:10:11,800 --> 00:10:15,000

And the word kept coming up in descriptions of her

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00:10:15,000 --> 00:10:16,120

through everything.

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00:10:16,120 --> 00:10:20,080

And there was a scar down here.

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00:10:20,080 --> 00:10:23,160

The most pertinent information that he gave me

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00:10:23,160 --> 00:10:25,440

was that Amy had a scar.

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00:10:25,440 --> 00:10:27,800

And it was a scar that was hidden on her body

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00:10:27,800 --> 00:10:31,480

that I had never divulged to the police or the press

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00:10:31,480 --> 00:10:32,760

or anyone.

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00:10:32,760 --> 00:10:34,240

You've got to help me find her.

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00:10:34,240 --> 00:10:35,720

You're my last hope.

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00:10:35,720 --> 00:10:36,620

All right.

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00:10:36,620 --> 00:10:41,480

When I went into the joint, I left her and my bike with a bro.

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00:10:41,480 --> 00:10:43,320

I got to find him.

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00:10:43,320 --> 00:10:44,880

When you find them, I've got to see her.

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00:10:44,880 --> 00:10:47,840

I've got to talk to her.

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00:10:47,840 --> 00:10:48,760

We'll see.

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00:10:48,760 --> 00:10:49,660

No, no.

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00:10:49,660 --> 00:10:50,760

I have to see her.

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00:10:50,760 --> 00:10:54,400

I said we'll see.

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00:10:54,400 --> 00:10:57,000

Let's go.

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00:10:57,000 --> 00:10:59,280

I wanted to kill him.

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00:10:59,280 --> 00:11:05,000

I wanted to tear pieces out of his skin, but I didn't.

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00:11:05,000 --> 00:11:08,760

Because it was important for me to relate to him

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00:11:08,760 --> 00:11:09,760

on a one-to-one level.

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00:11:09,760 --> 00:11:11,520

Otherwise, I would never find Amy.

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00:11:16,520 --> 00:11:18,480

Susan could do little but wait while Dave

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00:11:18,480 --> 00:11:20,640

made cautious inquiries.

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00:11:20,640 --> 00:11:23,220

Finally, he called with dramatic news.

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00:11:23,220 --> 00:11:25,760

Amy was with the outlaws in Tulsa, Oklahoma,

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00:11:25,800 --> 00:11:28,400

some 1,200 miles away.

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00:11:28,400 --> 00:11:31,320

Susan agreed to meet him there to press the search for Amy.

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00:11:34,320 --> 00:11:36,640

We were concerned about her safety.

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00:11:36,640 --> 00:11:38,480

We were concerned about the investigation.

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00:11:38,480 --> 00:11:41,240

We didn't think it was a good idea, but it was impossible ever

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00:11:41,240 --> 00:11:44,160

to try to discourage her from following up every lead.

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00:11:44,160 --> 00:11:48,160

No matter how dangerous, she didn't care.

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00:11:48,160 --> 00:11:52,600

June 1976, Tulsa.

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00:11:52,600 --> 00:11:55,200

Amy had been absent now for more than two years

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00:11:55,240 --> 00:11:59,520

in the moment Susan had long dreamed of seemed to be at hand.

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00:11:59,520 --> 00:12:02,080

Dave told Susan that Amy would be delivered to the minute

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00:12:02,080 --> 00:12:05,680

tavern in the roughest part of town.

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00:12:05,680 --> 00:12:06,600

Amy's been there.

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00:12:06,600 --> 00:12:07,400

I wanted to see her.

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00:12:07,400 --> 00:12:08,520

I was extremely excited.

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00:12:08,520 --> 00:12:11,960

I called home, and I packed my bags at my hotel

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00:12:11,960 --> 00:12:16,080

because I thought I'd have to run to the airport with her.

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00:12:16,080 --> 00:12:18,800

And we went to this dark bar where

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00:12:18,800 --> 00:12:21,840

they were just bikers and people drinking,

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00:12:21,840 --> 00:12:22,880

drunk, and everything.

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00:12:22,920 --> 00:12:27,080

And he sat me down somewhere, and then he walked away from me.

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00:12:27,080 --> 00:12:29,040

Right back, we were talking some people.

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00:12:36,680 --> 00:12:38,480

A few minutes after he walked away from me

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00:12:38,480 --> 00:12:40,840

is when all hell broke loose in that bar.

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00:12:40,840 --> 00:12:43,440

Hey, what are you guys doing?

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00:12:43,440 --> 00:12:45,040

I was afraid that I was going to be killed.

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00:12:45,320 --> 00:12:47,720

Oh, yeah, the taxi!

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00:12:47,720 --> 00:12:51,480

Oh, yeah, the taxi!

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00:12:51,480 --> 00:12:54,200

Susan was hustled outside, whereas if by plan,

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00:12:54,200 --> 00:12:56,560

a taxi was waiting to whisk her back to the hotel.

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00:13:00,560 --> 00:13:03,560

Amy!

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00:13:03,560 --> 00:13:05,680

If Amy had been anywhere near the bar,

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00:13:05,680 --> 00:13:08,000

Susan never caught a glimpse of her.

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00:13:08,000 --> 00:13:10,560

And Susan never again saw Dave, although she

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00:13:10,560 --> 00:13:14,960

learned that both his knees had been broken during the brawl.

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00:13:14,960 --> 00:13:17,720

And of course, at this point, he didn't want to help me anymore.

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00:13:17,720 --> 00:13:23,000

But he did say to my attorney that the only information

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00:13:23,000 --> 00:13:26,560

that he would give me is that he has heard that Amy was

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00:13:26,560 --> 00:13:30,360

possibly in Seattle at this point.

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00:13:30,360 --> 00:13:33,640

In November of 1977, Susan went to Seattle,

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00:13:33,640 --> 00:13:36,120

even though she had suffered a heart attack just two months

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00:13:36,120 --> 00:13:38,840

earlier.

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00:13:38,840 --> 00:13:42,280

Susan began to frequent tawdry bars, tattoo parlors,

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00:13:42,280 --> 00:13:43,600

and motorcycle shops.

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00:13:45,600 --> 00:13:49,800

I showed lots of photos to street people, to shop owners,

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00:13:49,800 --> 00:13:51,800

to topless dancers.

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00:13:51,800 --> 00:13:53,880

And I said, look, there's no police involved.

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00:13:53,880 --> 00:13:54,800

It's just me.

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00:13:54,800 --> 00:13:56,640

I want my child back.

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00:13:56,640 --> 00:13:59,280

If you have any information, please help me.

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00:13:59,280 --> 00:14:02,480

And you have to understand these people all have mothers,

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00:14:02,480 --> 00:14:06,080

and that's how I affected them.

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00:14:06,080 --> 00:14:08,400

Several people recognized photos of Amy,

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00:14:08,400 --> 00:14:11,840

and they described her as always quiet as if she were mute.

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00:14:11,880 --> 00:14:16,240

But in the end, Susan returned home empty handed.

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00:14:16,240 --> 00:14:19,960

18 more months would pass before news of Amy surfaced again.

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00:14:23,800 --> 00:14:26,480

It was the dead of winter in 1979,

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00:14:26,480 --> 00:14:28,600

the fifth year of Amy's absence.

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00:14:28,600 --> 00:14:30,760

An anonymous mail caller claimed Amy

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00:14:30,760 --> 00:14:34,120

was at a remote truck stop just outside Reno, Nevada,

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00:14:34,120 --> 00:14:38,160

and that she desperately needed help.

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00:14:38,160 --> 00:14:41,000

The information was that I'm here now.

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00:14:41,000 --> 00:14:43,520

I know who Amy Billig is.

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00:14:43,520 --> 00:14:44,920

I know she's been beaten up.

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00:14:44,920 --> 00:14:46,000

She's been drugged.

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00:14:46,000 --> 00:14:50,280

And she's here now at this truck stop.

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00:14:50,280 --> 00:14:52,920

And if you want her, you come get her now,

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00:14:52,920 --> 00:14:55,960

because her life could be in danger.

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00:14:55,960 --> 00:14:57,040

Just respond.

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00:14:57,040 --> 00:14:59,920

You might be able to find her.

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00:14:59,920 --> 00:15:02,600

FBI agents learned that a biker gang had indeed

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00:15:02,600 --> 00:15:05,280

been at the truck stop briefly, but there was no way

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00:15:05,280 --> 00:15:07,400

to verify whether Amy had been with them.

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00:15:08,160 --> 00:15:12,680

Years passed, a decade, still no word of Amy Billig.

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00:15:12,680 --> 00:15:17,440

Then in 1992, a full 18 years after Amy disappeared,

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00:15:17,440 --> 00:15:21,120

Susan was contacted by Virginia Snyder, a private investigator

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00:15:21,120 --> 00:15:22,320

in Florida.

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00:15:22,320 --> 00:15:23,120

Tell me more.

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00:15:23,120 --> 00:15:24,120

I want to hear about this.

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00:15:24,120 --> 00:15:25,040

Play music?

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00:15:25,040 --> 00:15:25,920

Yes.

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00:15:25,920 --> 00:15:27,800

Snyder had stunning news from England,

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00:15:27,800 --> 00:15:30,960

halfway around the world, that stirred hopes Amy Billig

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00:15:30,960 --> 00:15:33,880

might still be alive.

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00:15:33,880 --> 00:15:37,360

A British investigator, who was a British journalist,

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00:15:37,720 --> 00:15:40,800

had been working with Snyder on an unrelated case.

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00:15:40,800 --> 00:15:42,600

According to Snyder, her colleague

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00:15:42,600 --> 00:15:45,520

was in a post office in Falmouth in the south of England,

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00:15:45,520 --> 00:15:49,800

when he was approached by an American biker.

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00:15:49,800 --> 00:15:50,760

Hey, Pops.

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00:15:50,760 --> 00:15:52,440

Yes?

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00:15:52,440 --> 00:15:55,240

You look like you could use a little companionship.

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00:15:55,240 --> 00:15:57,160

I'm afraid I don't quite understand you.

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00:15:57,160 --> 00:15:58,880

Look, I got a girl for you.

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00:15:58,880 --> 00:16:00,000

It won't cost you much.

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00:16:00,000 --> 00:16:01,440

What do you say?

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00:16:01,440 --> 00:16:04,240

The investigator, being a good investigator,

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00:16:04,240 --> 00:16:06,520

engaged the man in conversation as far

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00:16:06,560 --> 00:16:09,760

as I could gather to get as much information as he could

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00:16:09,760 --> 00:16:12,080

about the girl that was being offered to him.

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00:16:12,080 --> 00:16:13,880

Then, of course, he didn't buy her.

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00:16:13,880 --> 00:16:15,520

He wasn't interested.

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00:16:15,520 --> 00:16:17,880

And then he passed the information on to me.

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00:16:17,880 --> 00:16:18,720

It's very interesting.

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00:16:18,720 --> 00:16:20,680

But what kind of a girl is she?

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00:16:20,680 --> 00:16:24,000

American girl or English?

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00:16:24,000 --> 00:16:25,760

American girl.

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00:16:25,760 --> 00:16:27,640

Oyster Bay.

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00:16:27,640 --> 00:16:31,760

Oyster Bay, New York, was the birthplace of Amy Billig.

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00:16:31,760 --> 00:16:33,960

What's her name?

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00:16:33,960 --> 00:16:35,160

Mew.

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00:16:35,200 --> 00:16:38,160

Once again, the word mute had surfaced in connection

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00:16:38,160 --> 00:16:39,080

with Amy.

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00:16:39,080 --> 00:16:40,240

Perhaps you have a photograph.

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00:16:40,240 --> 00:16:41,120

You could show me.

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00:16:46,000 --> 00:16:48,160

It sounded like Amy.

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00:16:48,160 --> 00:16:54,160

And the fact that they called her mute really affected me.

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00:16:54,160 --> 00:16:57,080

Because here, all these years of my search,

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00:16:57,080 --> 00:17:02,880

she had been mute, had not talked.

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00:17:02,880 --> 00:17:05,520

And here, I was faced with the same situation,

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00:17:05,520 --> 00:17:07,560

but in another country.

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00:17:07,560 --> 00:17:10,960

I didn't know what to do.

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00:17:10,960 --> 00:17:13,440

Tragically, one year after a strange encounter,

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00:17:13,440 --> 00:17:16,040

the British investigator passed away.

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00:17:16,040 --> 00:17:19,040

The tantalizing incident became just another painful near

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00:17:19,040 --> 00:17:21,400

miss in the endless search for Amy Billig.

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00:17:24,680 --> 00:17:27,720

Some people speculate that Amy Billig would be dead.

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00:17:27,720 --> 00:17:29,000

But she's a young woman.

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00:17:29,000 --> 00:17:31,280

She would be in her late 30s.

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00:17:31,280 --> 00:17:33,440

If she survived the first four years,

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00:17:33,440 --> 00:17:34,960

that would be the hardest.

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00:17:34,960 --> 00:17:36,560

And I think she survived.

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00:17:36,560 --> 00:17:38,760

That makes me believe she's still alive.

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00:17:38,760 --> 00:17:42,200

I also feel that the information that we have from over there

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00:17:42,200 --> 00:17:46,600

coincides so much with the information about Amy over here

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00:17:46,600 --> 00:17:48,920

that I believe she's still alive.

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00:17:48,920 --> 00:17:52,480

It's unlikely that she would be alive after all these years,

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00:17:52,480 --> 00:17:57,160

unless she is still making them good money.

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00:17:57,160 --> 00:17:58,920

She could still be doing something

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00:17:58,920 --> 00:18:02,800

with drugs or prosecution or dancing.

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00:18:02,800 --> 00:18:07,080

But again, I don't know the physical backbone of Amy

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00:18:07,080 --> 00:18:07,640

Billig.

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00:18:07,640 --> 00:18:12,880

If she's a strong individual and she has a strong will,

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00:18:12,880 --> 00:18:14,880

she could survive.

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00:18:14,880 --> 00:18:36,560

When we return, viewer tips bring about

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00:18:36,560 --> 00:18:39,200

an unexpected family reunion.

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00:18:39,200 --> 00:18:41,280

And the mystery of an enigmatic rectus

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00:18:41,280 --> 00:18:44,320

who left a substantial estate that is still unclaimed,

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00:18:44,320 --> 00:18:46,440

perhaps someone watching is as air.

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00:18:57,040 --> 00:19:00,800

In November of 1945, a young woman named Dorothy Johnson

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00:19:00,800 --> 00:19:03,680

and her 11-month-old daughter were on a cross-country train

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00:19:03,680 --> 00:19:05,880

heading to Utica, New York.

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00:19:05,880 --> 00:19:07,000

Hey, beautiful.

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00:19:07,000 --> 00:19:11,440

Dorothy was just 17, single and struggling to make ends meet.

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00:19:11,440 --> 00:19:16,320

On the train, she met a young sailor named Donald Caffrey.

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00:19:16,320 --> 00:19:17,800

When we get to Utica, I'm going to have

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00:19:17,800 --> 00:19:20,720

to put her in a foster home.

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00:19:20,720 --> 00:19:23,280

Donald, who was on his way to Omaha, Nebraska,

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00:19:23,280 --> 00:19:25,680

proved to be patient and sympathetic,

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00:19:25,680 --> 00:19:28,480

more than willing to listen to Dorothy's troubles.

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00:19:28,480 --> 00:19:30,800

I'm sorry.

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00:19:30,800 --> 00:19:32,920

I talk quite a bit to her.

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00:19:32,920 --> 00:19:37,040

And as we started getting closer to Omaha,

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00:19:37,040 --> 00:19:41,560

I asked her if she'd like to have me take the baby home

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00:19:41,560 --> 00:19:45,800

with me until she got settled and could send for the baby,

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00:19:45,800 --> 00:19:48,480

or maybe I could bring it to her.

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00:19:48,480 --> 00:19:49,520

And she agreed on that.

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00:19:52,400 --> 00:19:54,800

A few days later, Dorothy wrote to Donald

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00:19:54,800 --> 00:19:57,200

that she wanted her baby back.

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00:19:57,200 --> 00:19:59,480

However, when circumstances prevented Dorothy

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00:19:59,480 --> 00:20:02,000

from returning to Omaha, Donald and his wife

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00:20:02,000 --> 00:20:05,120

adopted the infant and named her Sandra.

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00:20:05,120 --> 00:20:07,480

When Sandra was a teenager, she learned the truth

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00:20:07,480 --> 00:20:12,680

about her background and began to look for her birth mother.

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00:20:12,680 --> 00:20:15,320

I think she got scared.

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00:20:15,320 --> 00:20:17,880

I think she wanted me.

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00:20:17,880 --> 00:20:26,120

But I don't think she had any help maybe from her family

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00:20:26,120 --> 00:20:30,960

to help her try to get back to me.

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00:20:35,680 --> 00:20:38,880

On the night of our broadcast, Sandra Lee Nelson's long search

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00:20:38,880 --> 00:20:41,080

came to a bittersweet end.

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00:20:41,080 --> 00:20:43,360

A viewer called our phone center with the sad news

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00:20:43,360 --> 00:20:47,040

that Dorothy Johnson had passed away in 1968.

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00:20:47,040 --> 00:20:48,840

However, Sandra was overjoyed to learn

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00:20:48,840 --> 00:20:52,520

that she had an uncle Mickey and two aunts, Jan and Alice,

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00:20:52,520 --> 00:20:54,320

who had always wondered about Sandra

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00:20:54,320 --> 00:20:55,640

and were anxious to meet her.

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00:20:58,960 --> 00:21:03,400

A month later, on December 28, 1993, Sandra and her husband,

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00:21:03,400 --> 00:21:05,480

Chet, arrived in Syracuse, New York

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00:21:05,480 --> 00:21:08,920

to receive a most remarkable Christmas gift,

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00:21:08,920 --> 00:21:11,880

a house full of relatives waiting to meet Sandra

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00:21:11,880 --> 00:21:13,200

for the very first time.

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00:21:22,200 --> 00:21:26,520

I didn't think I'd ever find anyone.

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00:21:26,520 --> 00:21:28,240

It just gave me chills.

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00:21:28,240 --> 00:21:32,400

It just made me feel real warm, like, oh gee,

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00:21:32,400 --> 00:21:34,120

what a nice family.

435

00:21:34,120 --> 00:21:35,640

This is Dorothy and Harold.

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00:21:35,640 --> 00:21:36,440

That's them.

437

00:21:36,440 --> 00:21:37,240

Oh, it's them.

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00:21:37,240 --> 00:21:38,160

That's Wayne.

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00:21:38,160 --> 00:21:38,960

That's her.

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00:21:38,960 --> 00:21:41,240

Sandra and her new family began to compare notes

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00:21:41,240 --> 00:21:43,440

on Dorothy Johnson's life.

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00:21:43,440 --> 00:21:45,000

Although Sandra was unable to learn

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00:21:45,000 --> 00:21:46,800

the identity of her birth father,

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00:21:46,800 --> 00:21:49,480

she did discover that in the early 1950s,

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00:21:49,480 --> 00:21:52,320

Dorothy had married a man named Wayne Rogers.

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00:21:52,320 --> 00:21:55,040

Sandra now would like to find Wayne Rogers in the hope

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00:21:55,040 --> 00:21:59,200

that she can fill in the remaining gaps in her past.

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00:21:59,200 --> 00:22:03,120

This is the only picture I have of me.

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00:22:03,120 --> 00:22:07,000

I'm getting little bits and pieces from friends

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00:22:07,000 --> 00:22:10,720

and relatives telling me a little bit about her,

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00:22:10,720 --> 00:22:13,480

and which, you know, these little things mean a great deal

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00:22:13,480 --> 00:22:15,400

to me.

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00:22:15,400 --> 00:22:18,720

I have found a family, a wonderful family,

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00:22:18,720 --> 00:22:22,720

that I never thought I'd ever have.

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00:22:22,720 --> 00:22:25,400

This is the best holiday.

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00:22:25,400 --> 00:22:26,040

One more hug.

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00:22:26,040 --> 00:22:28,320

OK.

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00:22:28,320 --> 00:22:29,440

Best time in my life.

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00:22:38,240 --> 00:22:40,120

You would think that a willing relative could always

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00:22:40,120 --> 00:22:43,200

be found a step forward in claiming inheritance,

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00:22:43,200 --> 00:22:45,480

but every now and then, even exhaustive research

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00:22:45,480 --> 00:22:48,480

will fail to turn up any errors whatsoever.

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00:22:48,480 --> 00:22:51,640

Tonight, the case of a mysterious man named Walter Rice,

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00:22:51,640 --> 00:22:54,040

who left a legacy of unanswered questions

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00:22:54,040 --> 00:23:00,560

and an estate worth nearly \$145,000.

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00:23:00,560 --> 00:23:03,600

Walter Rice lived alone in a modest trailer on Oak Street

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00:23:03,600 --> 00:23:06,960

in McCormick, South Carolina.

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00:23:06,960 --> 00:23:09,920

No one ever came calling, and Walter seemed to prefer it

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00:23:09,920 --> 00:23:10,320

that way.

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00:23:14,000 --> 00:23:18,360

Walter Rice was quite a mystery man.

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00:23:18,360 --> 00:23:20,440

Apparently, he was just a reclusive person.

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00:23:20,440 --> 00:23:21,360

He kept to himself.

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00:23:21,360 --> 00:23:23,440

He didn't have anything to do with his neighbors.

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00:23:23,440 --> 00:23:27,240

He never ventured out to meeting any of his neighbors.

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00:23:27,240 --> 00:23:29,240

It's January, man.

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00:23:29,240 --> 00:23:33,080

On January 25, 1992, Walter took a cab home

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00:23:33,080 --> 00:23:36,160

after his own car had been wrecked in a traffic accident.

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00:23:36,160 --> 00:23:38,280

Sometime during the next week, Walter

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00:23:38,280 --> 00:23:41,280

suffered a heart attack and died before he could summon help.

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00:23:47,920 --> 00:23:50,000

Incredibly, a full year would pass

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00:23:50,000 --> 00:23:52,640

before Walter's body was even noticed.

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00:23:52,640 --> 00:23:55,000

The power company and the cable TV company

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00:23:55,000 --> 00:23:57,240

turned off service to his trailer.

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00:23:57,240 --> 00:24:00,120

Eventually, the post office began to stamp his mail,

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00:24:00,120 --> 00:24:02,080

returned to sender.

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00:24:02,080 --> 00:24:04,320

In a bizarre improbable twist, it

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00:24:04,320 --> 00:24:07,280

was two strangers who finally made the discovery, two

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00:24:07,280 --> 00:24:11,640

strangers who weren't exactly on a social call.

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00:24:11,640 --> 00:24:15,240

Two people attempted to break into the trailer.

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00:24:15,240 --> 00:24:18,920

They broke in the front window and then went around

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00:24:18,920 --> 00:24:20,120

to the back door.

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00:24:20,120 --> 00:24:22,880

And his body was laying right at the back door.

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00:24:22,880 --> 00:24:25,320

They were frightened away after finding his body.

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00:24:25,320 --> 00:24:28,680

And sometime later, now this could be a month or two later,

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00:24:28,680 --> 00:24:31,320

they got a girlfriend of one of the people

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00:24:31,320 --> 00:24:35,480

who attempted to break in to call the police department

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00:24:35,480 --> 00:24:38,120

to notify them that there was a dead body in the trailer

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00:24:38,120 --> 00:24:41,040

on Oak Street.

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00:24:41,040 --> 00:24:46,000

Walter Rice was 73 years old when he passed away.

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00:24:46,000 --> 00:24:48,080

Judge Kidd took on the task of sorting

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00:24:48,080 --> 00:24:49,320

through Walter's possessions.

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00:24:52,200 --> 00:24:54,640

I started looking through his papers,

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00:24:54,640 --> 00:24:56,960

all of his effects in his trailer,

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00:24:56,960 --> 00:25:01,520

to hopefully find something that would lead me to a relative.

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00:25:01,520 --> 00:25:03,040

I spent some time on it every day.

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00:25:03,040 --> 00:25:05,880

I became almost obsessed with it.

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00:25:05,880 --> 00:25:07,600

It's been very frustrating not being

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00:25:07,600 --> 00:25:09,600

able to find a relative when at first I thought

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00:25:09,600 --> 00:25:10,440

it'd be so easy.

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00:25:13,680 --> 00:25:16,640

Initially, I didn't expect to find anything of value.

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00:25:16,640 --> 00:25:20,360

But after searching through Walter Rice's personal effects

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00:25:20,360 --> 00:25:23,120

papers, bank papers, I found him to have

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00:25:23,120 --> 00:25:26,600

in a state of approximately \$140,000.

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00:25:26,600 --> 00:25:29,760

That includes his lot and trailer.

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00:25:32,760 --> 00:25:34,320

The judge began to piece together

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00:25:34,320 --> 00:25:36,760

the few known facts of Walter's life.

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00:25:36,760 --> 00:25:40,520

Paystub showed that from 1973 to 1983,

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00:25:40,520 --> 00:25:42,720

Walter worked as a cook at the Griswold Inn

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00:25:42,720 --> 00:25:43,840

near Essex, Connecticut.

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00:25:43,840 --> 00:25:46,320

Mr. Rice, you know what tonight is, don't you?

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00:25:46,320 --> 00:25:48,360

Yes, I know what tonight is.

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00:25:48,360 --> 00:25:51,120

Saturday night.

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00:25:51,120 --> 00:25:53,480

During those 10 years, Walter lived virtually

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00:25:53,480 --> 00:25:56,600

without expense in a dorm for hotel employees.

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00:25:56,600 --> 00:25:58,480

And authorities believe this arrangement

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00:25:58,480 --> 00:26:00,920

allowed him to amass a small fortune in spite

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00:26:00,920 --> 00:26:01,920

of his modest wage.

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00:26:04,480 --> 00:26:06,600

Surprisingly, none of Walter's coworkers

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00:26:06,600 --> 00:26:08,840

could tell Judge Kitt very much about it,

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00:26:08,840 --> 00:26:11,000

though they had worked side by side for a decade.

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00:26:14,200 --> 00:26:15,520

It was interesting.

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00:26:15,600 --> 00:26:19,160

I found in his personal effects indications

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00:26:19,160 --> 00:26:22,400

that he had been to two different hospitals, a hospital

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00:26:22,400 --> 00:26:26,080

in Augusta and also in Abbeville.

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00:26:26,080 --> 00:26:29,480

On the Augusta Hospital forms, Walter listed in East Jane

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00:26:29,480 --> 00:26:30,960

as next of kin.

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00:26:30,960 --> 00:26:32,920

However, the name Jane Rice appears

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00:26:32,920 --> 00:26:35,120

in no other official records.

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00:26:35,120 --> 00:26:37,520

OK, could you fill out this form, please?

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00:26:37,520 --> 00:26:39,280

At the Abbeville Hospital, Walter

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00:26:39,280 --> 00:26:41,040

listed a James Edwards.

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00:26:41,040 --> 00:26:43,840

But Edwards has proven to be a neighbor, not a relative.

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00:26:46,520 --> 00:26:53,160

Walter Rice was born July 6, 1920 in Abbeville, South Carolina,

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00:26:53,160 --> 00:26:55,240

to Edward and Amanda Rice.

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00:26:55,240 --> 00:26:57,520

He was the youngest of eight children.

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00:26:57,520 --> 00:26:59,600

There is no record that Walter ever married.

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00:26:59,600 --> 00:27:02,320

And if he had no children, any nieces and nephews

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00:27:02,320 --> 00:27:06,240

who survived him would inherit his \$140,000 estate.

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00:27:16,520 --> 00:27:18,880

When we return, a school teacher is

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00:27:18,880 --> 00:27:21,680

asked to testify against an accused auto thief.

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00:27:21,680 --> 00:27:25,240

But just before the trial, he disappears without a trace.

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00:27:34,840 --> 00:27:35,800

Ah, that's good.

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00:27:35,800 --> 00:27:36,720

Yeah.

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00:27:36,720 --> 00:27:37,920

Let me show you the motor.

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00:27:37,920 --> 00:27:38,720

OK.

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00:27:38,720 --> 00:27:42,560

Buying cards, polishing them up, tinkering until they

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00:27:42,560 --> 00:27:43,920

run smooth and easy.

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00:27:45,600 --> 00:27:48,360

Cars with a passion of Oliver Munson, a school

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00:27:48,360 --> 00:27:51,720

teacher from Baltimore, Maryland.

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00:27:51,720 --> 00:27:54,720

In January of 1983, Oliver acquired

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00:27:54,720 --> 00:27:58,760

the car of his dreams, a fully loaded Datsun 240Z.

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00:27:58,760 --> 00:27:59,480

Is it light?

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00:27:59,480 --> 00:27:59,960

Yeah.

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00:27:59,960 --> 00:28:01,200

Yeah.

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00:28:01,200 --> 00:28:02,840

You have the title and registration?

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00:28:02,840 --> 00:28:03,880

Yeah, you got my money?

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00:28:03,880 --> 00:28:06,480

Yep.

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00:28:06,480 --> 00:28:10,120

Oliver had no idea that Dennis Watson, the man who sold him

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00:28:10,120 --> 00:28:12,920

the car, was the ringleader of a sophisticated car

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00:28:12,920 --> 00:28:14,720

theft operation.

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00:28:14,760 --> 00:28:19,240

Oliver's new 240Z had been stolen three months earlier.

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00:28:19,240 --> 00:28:22,240

You're my man on a proud oversea.

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00:28:22,240 --> 00:28:23,040

Thanks, Joy.

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00:28:23,040 --> 00:28:23,440

All right.

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00:28:23,440 --> 00:28:24,640

All right.

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00:28:24,640 --> 00:28:26,560

Listen, if you have any problem with it

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00:28:26,560 --> 00:28:28,320

over the next week or two, a couple of weeks,

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00:28:28,320 --> 00:28:28,920

you give me a call.

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00:28:28,920 --> 00:28:29,880

You bring it over to the shop.

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00:28:29,880 --> 00:28:30,800

I'll take care of it for you.

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00:28:30,800 --> 00:28:31,520

OK.

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00:28:31,520 --> 00:28:32,320

OK.

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00:28:32,320 --> 00:28:35,240

Watson's garage was just a cover for his chop shop,

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00:28:35,240 --> 00:28:38,120

where stolen cars were dismantled and sold for parts

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00:28:38,120 --> 00:28:40,920

or simply resold with faked ownership papers.

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00:28:41,920 --> 00:28:44,480

Man.

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00:28:44,480 --> 00:28:47,440

For weeks, authorities have been quietly gathering evidence

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00:28:47,440 --> 00:28:48,840

against Watson.

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00:28:48,840 --> 00:28:53,200

On March 16, 1983, they decided to put him out of business.

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00:28:58,200 --> 00:29:00,720

What's the sum of the money?

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00:29:00,720 --> 00:29:01,680

Play straight.

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00:29:01,680 --> 00:29:02,680

Oh.

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00:29:02,680 --> 00:29:04,920

No, what the hell is this?

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00:29:04,920 --> 00:29:06,520

Man, you can't just play straight.

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00:29:06,520 --> 00:29:07,480

I'm not a search warrant.

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00:29:07,480 --> 00:29:08,360

You're a drive.

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00:29:08,360 --> 00:29:09,240

Get out of here.

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00:29:09,240 --> 00:29:10,120

This is my place.

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00:29:10,120 --> 00:29:11,120

Get out of here.

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00:29:11,120 --> 00:29:12,120

Get out of here.

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00:29:12,120 --> 00:29:13,120

OK.

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00:29:13,120 --> 00:29:14,840

We're looking for registration plates,

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00:29:14,840 --> 00:29:17,760

VIN plates, and ownership documents, titles for vehicles.

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00:29:17,760 --> 00:29:19,840

Police recovered illegal titles,

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00:29:19,840 --> 00:29:23,760

partially dismantled autos, and stolen vehicle ID tags.

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00:29:23,760 --> 00:29:27,400

Everything they needed to make a case against Dennis Watson.

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00:29:27,400 --> 00:29:28,640

Five Maryland plates.

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00:29:28,640 --> 00:29:29,920

Five Maryland tags.

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00:29:29,920 --> 00:29:32,760

One of the names that popped up in the confiscated records

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00:29:32,760 --> 00:29:35,000

was Oliver Munson.

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00:29:35,000 --> 00:29:37,160

We continue to check paperwork.

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00:29:37,160 --> 00:29:40,400

We find that Oliver Munson has a Z-car.

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00:29:40,400 --> 00:29:43,880

We go out, and the Z-cars park there,

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00:29:43,880 --> 00:29:48,080

tempted to contact Mr. Munson, nobody home at the house.

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00:29:48,080 --> 00:29:50,400

Not knowing at that time whether or not

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00:29:50,400 --> 00:29:52,640

Oliver Munson had bought this car,

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00:29:52,640 --> 00:29:55,280

or if he was involved with Dennis Watson.

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00:29:55,280 --> 00:29:57,600

And as a result, we took the car as evidence

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00:29:57,600 --> 00:30:00,640

until such time as we could continue an investigation

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00:30:00,640 --> 00:30:04,080

to determine what exactly was his knowledge of the car.

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00:30:08,160 --> 00:30:12,680

Oliver Munson was notified, and later Detective Goodwin

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00:30:12,680 --> 00:30:15,080

questioned him in person.

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00:30:15,080 --> 00:30:16,320

Hi. You Oliver Munson?

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00:30:16,320 --> 00:30:17,220

Yeah.

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00:30:17,220 --> 00:30:18,560

I'm Detective Goodwin with Baltimore Police

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00:30:18,560 --> 00:30:19,600

Hull of theft unit.

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00:30:19,600 --> 00:30:21,080

You guys took my car.

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00:30:21,080 --> 00:30:22,600

Wouldn't I take it to something?

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00:30:22,600 --> 00:30:23,500

No, sir.

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00:30:23,500 --> 00:30:24,400

The car was stolen.

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00:30:24,400 --> 00:30:25,640

It's a stolen vehicle.

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00:30:25,640 --> 00:30:26,540

Oh, no.

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00:30:26,540 --> 00:30:27,680

No, I paid for the car.

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00:30:27,680 --> 00:30:29,480

How much did you pay for the car?

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00:30:29,480 --> 00:30:31,520

\$12 million in some trades.

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00:30:31,520 --> 00:30:34,000

Who did you buy the car from?

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00:30:34,000 --> 00:30:35,040

Dennis Watson.

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00:30:35,040 --> 00:30:35,960

Dennis Watson?

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00:30:35,960 --> 00:30:37,360

Do you know this Dennis Watson, or have you

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00:30:37,360 --> 00:30:38,760

ever dealt with him before?

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00:30:38,760 --> 00:30:40,520

No, I've never met him before.

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00:30:40,520 --> 00:30:42,640

My feeling was at that time, and still is,

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00:30:42,640 --> 00:30:43,760

that he had bought the car.

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00:30:43,760 --> 00:30:47,600

He was thinking that the car was, in fact, a legitimate car.

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00:30:47,600 --> 00:30:48,720

So I have to go to court?

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00:30:48,720 --> 00:30:49,120

Yes, sir.

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00:30:49,120 --> 00:30:50,800

You will have to go to court and testify

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00:30:50,800 --> 00:30:52,760

as to the fact of how you got the car.

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00:30:52,760 --> 00:30:54,920

According to Detective Goodwin, Oliver

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00:30:54,920 --> 00:30:57,680

was nervous about testify, but agreed,

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00:30:57,680 --> 00:30:59,680

knowing that he really had no choice.

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00:30:59,680 --> 00:31:01,280

If you have any questions, you can call me, OK?

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00:31:06,960 --> 00:31:08,920

Nearly a year passed.

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00:31:08,920 --> 00:31:10,920

Dennis Watson's trial was looming,

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00:31:10,920 --> 00:31:17,240

and Oliver was scheduled to testify on February 16, 1984.

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00:31:17,240 --> 00:31:19,440

Three days before the trial, Oliver

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00:31:19,440 --> 00:31:22,320

was seen just before he left for work at around 8 AM.

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00:31:25,560 --> 00:31:31,480

Oliver turned onto Orpington Road and simply vanished.

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00:31:31,480 --> 00:31:33,400

Oliver would rarely miss school.

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00:31:33,400 --> 00:31:37,520

And on that particular Monday, when he didn't arrive,

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00:31:37,520 --> 00:31:40,080

some of the staff and the kids started

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00:31:40,080 --> 00:31:44,280

to worry that this is not a usual practice for Oliver,

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00:31:44,280 --> 00:31:46,240

and maybe something was occurring,

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00:31:46,240 --> 00:31:47,320

something was wrong with him.

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00:31:49,960 --> 00:31:52,320

Oliver's brother James telephoned through the night,

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00:31:52,320 --> 00:31:53,920

but got no answer.

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00:31:53,920 --> 00:31:55,160

Oliver, are you in here?

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00:31:55,160 --> 00:31:57,160

The next day, he was worried enough

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00:31:57,160 --> 00:32:00,520

to visit Oliver's house himself.

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00:32:00,520 --> 00:32:03,280

Oliver, this is me, James.

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00:32:03,280 --> 00:32:04,920

When I went over to the house, I didn't

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00:32:04,920 --> 00:32:07,360

have a sense of what was going on.

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00:32:07,360 --> 00:32:09,840

I just thought maybe that he was sick,

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00:32:09,840 --> 00:32:13,080

and I didn't know if he was unconscious or whatever

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00:32:13,080 --> 00:32:13,580

in the house.

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00:32:13,580 --> 00:32:14,480

I didn't know.

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00:32:17,120 --> 00:32:20,720

Three days passed, with no word from Oliver Munson.

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00:32:20,720 --> 00:32:23,080

Then Oliver's car was found abandoned

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00:32:23,080 --> 00:32:26,120

just a few blocks from his home.

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00:32:26,120 --> 00:32:29,200

One tire was flat.

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00:32:29,200 --> 00:32:32,360

School papers and a bag lunch around the front seat,

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00:32:32,400 --> 00:32:35,080

but there was no evidence to indicate what had happened

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00:32:35,080 --> 00:32:36,000

to Oliver Munson.

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00:32:39,120 --> 00:32:42,480

At that time, I felt that there was something wrong.

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00:32:42,480 --> 00:32:45,800

Then the decision was made here that we were looking

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00:32:45,800 --> 00:32:48,920

at a kidnapping or a homicide.

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00:32:48,920 --> 00:32:50,880

Dennis Watson became a focal point

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00:32:50,880 --> 00:32:53,320

of the ensuing investigation.

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00:32:53,320 --> 00:32:56,800

Only then did police discover that this wasn't the first time

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00:32:56,800 --> 00:32:59,200

something had happened to a witness in a case

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00:32:59,200 --> 00:33:02,280

against Dennis Watson.

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00:33:02,320 --> 00:33:05,960

In 1973, a man named Clinton Glenn burned a death

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00:33:05,960 --> 00:33:08,880

in a vehicle that was registered to Watson.

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00:33:08,880 --> 00:33:11,840

Glenn had been scheduled to testify against Watson

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00:33:11,840 --> 00:33:15,880

in an armed robbery trial the very next day.

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00:33:15,880 --> 00:33:18,000

Based on the testimony of another witness,

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00:33:18,000 --> 00:33:20,640

Watson was indicted for Glenn's murder.

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00:33:20,640 --> 00:33:22,600

However, this key witness suddenly

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00:33:22,600 --> 00:33:24,960

died of a suspicious drug overdose,

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00:33:24,960 --> 00:33:28,920

and the murder charges were dropped.

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00:33:28,920 --> 00:33:31,600

Now Oliver Munson had vanished, but there

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00:33:31,600 --> 00:33:34,080

was no evidence to implicate Dennis Watson,

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00:33:34,080 --> 00:33:36,280

and he was never charged with a crime in connection

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00:33:36,280 --> 00:33:38,120

with the disappearance.

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00:33:38,120 --> 00:33:41,240

The Munson investigation stalled until police heard

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00:33:41,240 --> 00:33:44,280

from a man named Hilton Solomon.

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00:33:44,280 --> 00:33:45,840

Officer, can you help me?

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00:33:45,840 --> 00:33:48,480

I was just driving along, and all of a sudden, I see my car

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00:33:48,480 --> 00:33:50,160

reported it stolen.

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00:33:50,160 --> 00:33:52,480

Solomon's car had been stolen just hours

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00:33:52,480 --> 00:33:55,640

before Oliver Munson disappeared.

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00:33:55,640 --> 00:33:58,920

Inside the car, Solomon had found a hat that would later

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00:33:58,920 --> 00:34:04,120

be identified as similar to one owned by Oliver Munson.

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00:34:04,120 --> 00:34:06,600

Hilton Solomon took his car home after it was released

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00:34:06,600 --> 00:34:09,080

by Baltimore City, and several days later,

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00:34:09,080 --> 00:34:11,720

he decided to clean the car.

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00:34:11,720 --> 00:34:14,560

While he was cleaning, he found several receipts

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00:34:14,560 --> 00:34:17,960

from a video store.

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00:34:17,960 --> 00:34:20,400

One of these receipts was the name Oliver Munson.

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00:34:24,840 --> 00:34:26,600

We went down and looked at the car.

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00:34:26,600 --> 00:34:31,000

There was a brownish stain on the carpet front right

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00:34:31,000 --> 00:34:33,680

hand side of the vehicle.

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00:34:33,680 --> 00:34:37,080

Looked underneath of the seat, right by the track

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00:34:37,080 --> 00:34:42,480

of the right hand front seat, I found a spent cartridge case.

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00:34:42,480 --> 00:34:45,840

Red smudges were also found on one of the receipts.

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00:34:45,840 --> 00:34:49,160

Tests revealed that the stains were human blood type O

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00:34:49,160 --> 00:34:51,280

positive.

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00:34:51,280 --> 00:34:53,720

This finding strongly suggested that Oliver had

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00:34:53,760 --> 00:34:57,200

met with foul play, but with no records showing Oliver's

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00:34:57,200 --> 00:34:59,520

blood type and no other hard evidence,

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00:34:59,520 --> 00:35:03,240

the official investigation ground to a halt.

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00:35:03,240 --> 00:35:05,400

As it turned out, Oliver's disappearance

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00:35:05,400 --> 00:35:08,560

had no apparent effect on the outcome of the trial.

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00:35:08,560 --> 00:35:12,240

Watson pled guilty and was sentenced to 10 years in prison.

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00:35:12,240 --> 00:35:17,200

He was paroled in 1989 after serving half his term.

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00:35:17,200 --> 00:35:19,200

Meanwhile, Oliver's friends and family

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00:35:19,200 --> 00:35:23,600

have spent year after painful year without him.

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00:35:23,600 --> 00:35:26,640

It's been nearly 10 years since Oliver disappeared.

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00:35:26,640 --> 00:35:31,320

And the kids at school, the ones who I keep in contact with,

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00:35:31,320 --> 00:35:32,320

they'll always ask.

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00:35:32,320 --> 00:35:34,400

That's one of the first things.

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00:35:34,400 --> 00:35:36,600

And I just, I don't know.

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00:35:36,600 --> 00:35:39,360

I don't have any answer to give to them.

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00:35:39,360 --> 00:35:42,120

In the last 10 years of my brother's disappearance,

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00:35:42,120 --> 00:35:44,600

it's been a burden on the whole family.

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00:35:44,600 --> 00:35:47,120

Today, my mother's doc is gone.

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00:35:47,120 --> 00:35:50,800

She wear it every day, every night she prayed and cried,

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00:35:50,800 --> 00:35:53,580

wondering about where her first son is.

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00:35:53,580 --> 00:35:57,060

If anyone know or seen anything that day,

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00:35:57,060 --> 00:35:59,260

please, please help the family to get

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00:35:59,260 --> 00:36:00,420

the burden off their chest.

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00:36:05,940 --> 00:36:08,620

Next, a woman who was given up for adoption

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00:36:08,620 --> 00:36:12,020

more than 50 years ago needs your help to find her birth

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00:36:12,020 --> 00:36:12,420

mother.

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00:36:12,420 --> 00:36:24,860

During the Great Depression, Drow transformed

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00:36:24,860 --> 00:36:29,180

the fertile plains of America's heartland into a desert.

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00:36:29,180 --> 00:36:30,740

Thousands of families were forced

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00:36:30,740 --> 00:36:35,580

to abandon their homes and roam the country in search of jobs.

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00:36:35,580 --> 00:36:39,100

This is a story of a young woman named Rosemary Ledbetter.

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00:36:39,100 --> 00:36:41,500

In the mid-1930s, she and her family

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00:36:41,500 --> 00:36:44,380

apparently left Texas and joined the Faithless Army

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00:36:44,380 --> 00:36:46,460

of migrant farm workers.

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00:36:46,460 --> 00:36:49,580

Sure, it's over there.

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00:36:49,580 --> 00:36:53,820

In 1938, Rosemary found herself in Paul's Valley, Oklahoma,

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00:36:53,820 --> 00:36:55,460

for the cotton harvest.

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00:36:55,460 --> 00:36:58,740

She was unmarried and working up to 14 hours a day

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00:36:58,740 --> 00:37:00,940

when she learned that she was pregnant.

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00:37:00,940 --> 00:37:02,860

Now, you're sure you're going to be OK?

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00:37:02,860 --> 00:37:04,860

Yes, I just think I need to sit here for a little bit.

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00:37:08,100 --> 00:37:10,500

When Rosemary could no longer work in the fields,

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00:37:10,500 --> 00:37:13,420

she packed her meager belongings into a single suitcase

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00:37:13,420 --> 00:37:15,260

and hitched a ride to Oklahoma City.

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00:37:18,260 --> 00:37:20,300

Alone and with nowhere else to turn,

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00:37:20,300 --> 00:37:23,380

she sought refuge in a shelter for unwed mothers called

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00:37:23,380 --> 00:37:24,780

the home of redeeming love.

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00:37:28,420 --> 00:37:32,740

On July 16, 1938, Rosemary gave birth to a daughter

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00:37:32,740 --> 00:37:33,780

and placed her for adoption.

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00:37:37,340 --> 00:37:39,300

Today, that daughter is a grown woman

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00:37:39,300 --> 00:37:42,220

who can sympathize with a difficult decision Rosemary

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00:37:42,220 --> 00:37:45,980

made more than 50 years ago.

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00:37:45,980 --> 00:37:49,340

I don't think she had any choices.

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00:37:49,340 --> 00:37:53,540

And I thank her for thinking of me.

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00:37:53,540 --> 00:38:00,340

And I had parents that adopted me that I know they also

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00:38:00,340 --> 00:38:01,340

thanked her.

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00:38:04,820 --> 00:38:08,300

In August of 1991, Meredith Atkinson, a company

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00:38:08,300 --> 00:38:10,980

by her husband, returned to the place of her birth

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00:38:10,980 --> 00:38:16,220

looking for information about her biological mother.

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00:38:16,220 --> 00:38:19,180

I have many relatives that say, why

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00:38:19,180 --> 00:38:22,260

are you trying to find out your parents loved you?

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00:38:22,260 --> 00:38:24,980

And I said, I know this, but it has nothing

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00:38:24,980 --> 00:38:28,700

to do with them loving me.

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00:38:28,700 --> 00:38:33,140

I need to find out for my own sake.

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00:38:33,140 --> 00:38:35,660

Meredith had grown up in Oklahoma and Kansas.

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00:38:35,660 --> 00:38:39,020

An only child doted upon by warm and loving parents.

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00:38:41,820 --> 00:38:43,580

She never got the slightest hint that there

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00:38:43,580 --> 00:38:47,420

was anything unusual about her background until 1990

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00:38:47,420 --> 00:38:50,420

when a relative revealed that Meredith had been adopted.

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00:38:53,660 --> 00:38:57,140

Meredith immediately tracked down her original birth certificate.

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00:38:57,140 --> 00:38:59,140

She learned that the name given to her at birth

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00:38:59,140 --> 00:39:01,660

was Mary Ann Ledbetter.

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00:39:01,660 --> 00:39:04,620

Her father was listed as unknown.

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00:39:04,620 --> 00:39:08,740

Her mother's name was Rosemary Ledbetter.

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00:39:08,740 --> 00:39:10,340

Meredith, I'd like for you to keep in mind

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00:39:10,340 --> 00:39:12,260

that with adoption, confidentiality

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00:39:12,260 --> 00:39:14,420

is always very important.

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00:39:14,420 --> 00:39:16,940

In Oklahoma, Meredith was told the state

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00:39:16,940 --> 00:39:19,460

laws prevented the opening of adoption files.

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00:39:19,460 --> 00:39:21,180

I'm an old adoptee.

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00:39:21,180 --> 00:39:21,900

So today, I'm on the A-biz-er.

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00:39:21,900 --> 00:39:23,940

But a social worker did provide Meredith

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00:39:23,940 --> 00:39:25,900

with limited information.

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00:39:25,900 --> 00:39:29,060

I believe it can give you a good feel for your birth mother.

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00:39:29,060 --> 00:39:34,460

I found out that my mother was of Irish and German.

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00:39:35,300 --> 00:39:40,300

I found out that she had one sister and four brothers.

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00:39:42,300 --> 00:39:45,300

They were field workers.

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00:39:45,300 --> 00:39:50,300

They had to move and follow crops, just trying to get by.

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00:39:52,660 --> 00:39:54,900

And I thought about this.

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00:39:54,900 --> 00:39:59,900

I could see her life and how rough it was.

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

And it hurt me to think that she maybe had a life like this.

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00:40:09,900 --> 00:40:11,900

You may need it after you see the surprise we got

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00:40:11,900 --> 00:40:14,900

from Oklahoma today.

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00:40:14,900 --> 00:40:17,380

Meredith and her husband returned to their home in Arizona

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00:40:17,380 --> 00:40:19,700

to continue the search.

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00:40:19,700 --> 00:40:23,180

Several months later, Meredith was elated when the home mailed

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00:40:23,180 --> 00:40:25,620

her a copy of a letter Rosemary had sent there

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00:40:25,620 --> 00:40:29,500

a half a century earlier.

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00:40:30,100 --> 00:40:35,100

Sunday, August the 25th, 1940, dear madams,

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00:40:35,100 --> 00:40:40,100

I am been wanting to ride sooner, but have never got around to it.

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00:40:40,100 --> 00:40:42,100

I'm injured as a myself.

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00:40:42,100 --> 00:40:44,100

I'm Rose Marie Ledbetter.

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00:40:44,100 --> 00:40:46,900

I was with you all in 1938.

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00:40:46,900 --> 00:40:51,700

My baby girl, Mary Ann, was born July 16th, 1938.

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00:40:51,700 --> 00:40:53,700

I wondered if I need a chance if you could send me

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00:40:53,700 --> 00:40:56,300

a picture of my baby girl.

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00:40:56,300 --> 00:40:59,300

I would not ask or wish for anything more.

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00:40:59,300 --> 00:41:02,100

I would appreciate it very much.

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00:41:02,100 --> 00:41:05,100

Thank you, Miss Rose Marie Ledbetter.

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00:41:07,100 --> 00:41:13,100

I knew then that my mother was interested in me.

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00:41:13,100 --> 00:41:19,100

She had been thinking of me even after I was born.

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00:41:20,100 --> 00:41:26,100

I would like to be able to look at her and tell her,

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00:41:26,500 --> 00:41:28,900

mother, I understand.

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00:41:28,900 --> 00:41:32,900

I know you had to do what was best for you.

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00:41:32,900 --> 00:41:35,500

And that I'd like to know you.

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00:41:35,500 --> 00:41:37,500

I'd like to get to know you.

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00:41:40,500 --> 00:41:42,300

As a direct result of our broadcast,

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00:41:42,300 --> 00:41:44,500

a private investigator named Glenda Allen

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00:41:44,500 --> 00:41:48,300

contacted Meredith and volunteered to take on the search.

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00:41:48,300 --> 00:41:52,200

Just one month later, Meredith received the exciting news.

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00:41:52,200 --> 00:41:56,400

Her mother, 78-year-old Rose Marie Luckmer, had been found.

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00:41:56,400 --> 00:41:59,000

Though she's been in failing health for several years,

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00:41:59,000 --> 00:42:03,000

Rose Marie was anxious to see her long-lost daughter.

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00:42:03,000 --> 00:42:10,000

In September of 1994, Meredith and her two children

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00:42:10,000 --> 00:42:12,700

traveled from Arizona to Canute, Oklahoma

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00:42:12,700 --> 00:42:15,700

for the much-anticipated reunion.

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00:42:18,900 --> 00:42:20,400

Hi there, Walter.

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00:42:20,400 --> 00:42:23,400

Glad to know you, Walter.

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00:42:23,400 --> 00:42:26,000

Meredith's uncle, Walter, Rose Marie's brother,

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00:42:26,000 --> 00:42:28,000

answered the door.

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00:42:28,000 --> 00:42:31,000

And I'm at this, this is Rose.

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00:42:31,000 --> 00:42:34,000

Hi, Rose.

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00:42:34,000 --> 00:42:36,200

You?

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00:42:36,200 --> 00:42:38,600

Yes.

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00:42:38,600 --> 00:42:40,600

I'm Mary Ann.

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00:42:40,600 --> 00:42:43,100

Little Mary Ann.

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00:42:43,100 --> 00:42:44,900

I'm so tickled.

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00:42:44,900 --> 00:42:48,800

I think that finding my mother and seeing her

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00:42:49,300 --> 00:42:54,300

and her family has brought closure to my life.

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00:42:54,300 --> 00:43:01,300

I needed, I needed this.

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00:43:01,300 --> 00:43:04,300

You were even, you were even a great-grandma.

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00:43:04,300 --> 00:43:06,300

Do you know that?

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00:43:06,300 --> 00:43:08,300

Sure.

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00:43:08,300 --> 00:43:10,300

We have.

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00:43:10,300 --> 00:43:13,300

I'm just tickled to death she's here.

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00:43:13,300 --> 00:43:15,300

Yeah, I just wish we was closer together.

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00:43:15,300 --> 00:43:17,300

We could visit a little more often, you know,

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00:43:17,800 --> 00:43:20,800

but I plan to go through there and visit her in Arizona

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00:43:20,800 --> 00:43:23,800

when I go see my brothers, you know, that way.

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00:43:23,800 --> 00:43:25,800

We kind of on our way up there.

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00:43:25,800 --> 00:43:28,800

Might be a little out of the way, but it'd be worth it.

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00:43:31,800 --> 00:43:35,800

It's like gaining a new family and, you know,

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00:43:35,800 --> 00:43:37,800

it's like gaining new friends too.

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00:43:37,800 --> 00:43:41,800

Well, Albert, I think you and I look alike too.

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00:43:41,800 --> 00:43:46,800

I absolutely am going to be overjoyed to write to them

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00:43:47,300 --> 00:43:52,300

and talk to them and get to know them.

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00:43:52,300 --> 00:43:54,300

Do you care if I call you mother?

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00:43:56,300 --> 00:43:57,300

No.

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00:43:57,300 --> 00:43:58,300

No?

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00:43:58,300 --> 00:43:59,300

No.

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00:44:09,300 --> 00:44:12,300

Next week on Unsolved Mysteries,

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in 1992, 18-year-old Andre Jones,

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the son of a local civil rights worker,

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was arrested at a routine police checkpoint

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00:44:19,800 --> 00:44:21,800

in Brandon, Mississippi.

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00:44:21,800 --> 00:44:24,800

Within 36 hours, Andre's parents were informed

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00:44:24,800 --> 00:44:26,800

that he had been found hung in the shower stall

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00:44:26,800 --> 00:44:28,800

of his jail cell.

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00:44:28,800 --> 00:44:30,800

The death was ruled a suicide,

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00:44:30,800 --> 00:44:34,800

but Andre Jones' family believes he was murdered.

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More than 60 years ago, a pair of prospectors in Wyoming

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00:44:37,800 --> 00:44:39,800

happened upon the mummified remains

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00:44:39,800 --> 00:44:41,800

of a tiny human being.

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00:44:41,800 --> 00:44:43,800

X-rays later revealed what appears to be

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00:44:43,800 --> 00:44:47,300

a newly developed skeleton just 17 inches tall.

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For some, a mummy was proof that a legendary race

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of supernatural beings known as the little people

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00:44:52,300 --> 00:44:54,300

actually existed.

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00:44:54,300 --> 00:44:58,300

The skeptics, however, are far from convinced.

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Join me next time for another intriguing edition

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