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This program is about unsolved mysteries.

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Whenever possible, the actual family members and police

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officials have participated in recreating the events.

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

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When a baby girl named Mariah was born three months early,

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with critical problems that are undeveloped lungs,

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her chances of survival seem grim.

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Then a nurse employed a colleague who

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had a controversial technique called therapeutic touch.

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While it doesn't have the blessings

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of the medical establishment, therapeutic touch

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may have helped save Mariah's life.

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The story of Mitchell Shigimoto and James Pearson

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is a moving saga of interracial friendship

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honed to its finest edge by the rigors of war.

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When Mitchell was cut down by enemy fire in Vietnam,

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James became his hero.

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Tonight, Mitchell needs your help

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to find a way to help his family.

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It's your help to find the man who saved his life.

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On the day David and Alice Vieira were married,

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no one imagined that their love and affection would someday

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disintegrate into violence.

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No one imagined that 14 years later,

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David would go into hiding as a fugitive accused

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00:01:13,280 --> 00:01:16,400

of killing his wife.

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Join me for these fascinating cases.

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Perhaps you may be able to help solve the mystery.

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You are witnessing a controversial healing technique

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called therapeutic touch, or TT.

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It's practitioners who must complete a comprehensive training

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program.

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Believe that by running their hands a few inches above the body,

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they can pinpoint areas of disease or injury.

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TT practitioners also claim that they can direct energy

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from their bodies to others in order to promote healing.

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To the layman, therapeutic touch sounds pretty wild.

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Although it is taught at major universities

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across the country and practiced by tens of thousands

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of nurses and doctors, its effectiveness

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has long been at the center of a heated debate.

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Does therapeutic touch really work?

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Just ask Janet Ziegler, a clinical nurse specialist

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and experienced TT practitioner from Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

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In November of 1984, Janet drove her three boys

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to the regular martial arts class.

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Besides his interest in sports, Janice's youngest son Michael

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was already an accomplished pianist.

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Michael, who was only seven, went in.

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And as he was slipping his shoes off,

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00:03:37,920 --> 00:03:43,760

he put his hand up in the jam of the door.

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By that time, I'd gotten out of the car

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and Michael ran out of the school.

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00:03:48,360 --> 00:03:51,400

And he was, I don't think he realized what happened.

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He wasn't crying or anything, but his finger

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00:03:53,080 --> 00:03:54,240

was bleeding profusely.

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And he said, mom, I think I pinched my finger.

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And I looked down at his finger and it was gone.

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And I said, Michael, where is your finger?

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00:04:02,480 --> 00:04:03,440

Michael, what's wrong?

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I think I'm my finger caught in the door.

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OK, stand very still.

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Janet did not panic.

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00:04:10,360 --> 00:04:13,040

Almost instinctively, she began to treat Michael

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00:04:13,040 --> 00:04:14,360

with therapeutic touch.

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This immediately calmed him.

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He didn't shed a single tear at all through the whole process.

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OK, sweetie, let's go wash it off.

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I looked in the door jam to find the finger, and I found it.

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It was actually unrecognizable.

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It was totally squashed.

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00:04:34,440 --> 00:04:35,960

And of course, the nail was gone.

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It really didn't look like a finger,

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00:04:37,160 --> 00:04:38,600

but it was the only thing in the door jam.

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00:04:38,600 --> 00:04:40,160

So I assumed that's what it was.

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It was scary.

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I hadn't started to cry or anything,

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00:04:43,080 --> 00:04:46,960

but the blood and the same, my finger

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gone and wondering what's going to happen.

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It was just a fear that went through me.

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How was I going to be able to keep going?

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A friend rushed Janet and Michael

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to a local emergency clinic.

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Along the way, Janet continued to perform therapeutic touch.

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Although the injury was not life threatening,

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Michael's promise as a pianist was now in jeopardy.

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00:05:10,640 --> 00:05:13,840

Hey, big guy, what's your name, huh?

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What happened here?

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His finger was cut off in the door.

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00:05:16,880 --> 00:05:18,880

I need you to sew it back on.

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00:05:18,880 --> 00:05:21,400

I'm sorry, but this is never going to take.

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I don't think we can reattach this finger.

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Well, please try.

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He's a pianist.

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He's got to have this finger.

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00:05:27,120 --> 00:05:28,160

Need to suit your kids and say, hey.

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The doctor, you know, with my insistence,

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00:05:31,160 --> 00:05:32,040

agreed to do it.

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00:05:32,040 --> 00:05:35,120

And he turned to me and he said, what are you doing to him?

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And I said, I'm doing therapeutic touch to keep him calm.

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So he said, well, I don't know anything about that.

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He said, but whatever it is you're doing,

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00:05:43,760 --> 00:05:46,520

keep doing it because I've never seen a child so calm

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00:05:46,520 --> 00:05:47,560

as such a situation.

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Despite his misgiving, the doctor

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reattached the fingertip.

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He recommended that Michael see a plastic surgeon

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00:05:55,800 --> 00:05:58,320

as soon as possible.

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00:05:58,320 --> 00:06:00,960

The very next day when I went to the plastic surgeon,

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he unwrapped it, looked at it, and said, I'm sorry.

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This is not going to take.

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00:06:05,680 --> 00:06:07,880

He's going to lose his finger.

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00:06:07,880 --> 00:06:10,960

And he just wrapped it up again, a dry dressing.

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00:06:10,960 --> 00:06:14,480

Didn't do anything at all to the finger.

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And it went like that every week.

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Hello, doctor.

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This is Eagler.

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Well, Michael, let me see your hand.

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00:06:22,400 --> 00:06:24,920

For eight weeks, Janet used therapeutic touch

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00:06:24,920 --> 00:06:26,640

on Michael's finger.

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00:06:26,640 --> 00:06:28,760

For eight weeks, the plastic surgeon

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00:06:28,760 --> 00:06:31,680

warned that the reattachment would probably never work.

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00:06:34,520 --> 00:06:36,160

Look, the scab's gone.

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00:06:36,160 --> 00:06:37,920

It's great.

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00:06:37,920 --> 00:06:40,560

They removed the bandage, the scab, and everything.

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00:06:40,560 --> 00:06:44,520

And I saw almost a brand new finger with new skin and everything.

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00:06:44,520 --> 00:06:46,640

I was totally overwhelmed.

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There's a good deal more color than I expected.

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00:06:48,800 --> 00:06:50,440

I don't think there's any swelling.

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00:06:50,440 --> 00:06:52,200

Well, appearances can be deceiving.

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00:06:52,200 --> 00:06:53,880

Can you do this?

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00:06:53,880 --> 00:06:54,880

Can you feel that?

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00:06:54,880 --> 00:06:56,840

Yeah.

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00:06:56,840 --> 00:07:00,480

Well, that may not mean anything.

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00:07:00,480 --> 00:07:02,320

To be honest with you, Mrs. Eagler,

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00:07:02,320 --> 00:07:06,200

I think the finger's going to fall off, probably before summer.

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00:07:06,200 --> 00:07:07,760

So why don't you make an appointment with me then,

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00:07:07,760 --> 00:07:09,880

and we'll see where we stand.

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00:07:09,880 --> 00:07:10,920

All right, Michael?

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00:07:10,920 --> 00:07:13,080

The plastic surgeon was wrong.

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Even before the bandage came off,

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Michael was back at the keyboard.

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00:07:17,120 --> 00:07:19,520

Less than a month later, he placed first

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00:07:19,520 --> 00:07:20,880

in a piano competition.

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00:07:27,920 --> 00:07:31,440

A decade later, music remains an important part

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00:07:31,440 --> 00:07:32,400

of Michael's life.

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The experience of my accident and what my mom did for my finger

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00:07:49,000 --> 00:07:51,000

most definitely changed my feelings

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00:07:51,000 --> 00:07:53,600

about therapeutic touch.

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00:07:53,600 --> 00:07:56,560

Before it happened, I would go to my mom,

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00:07:56,560 --> 00:07:59,400

get the treatment from her, but it was a little skeptical.

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00:07:59,400 --> 00:08:01,600

It looked sort of funny and we'd joke about it.

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After this experience, I was totally

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00:08:03,800 --> 00:08:06,680

100% believing in her therapeutic touch,

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and that it definitely worked.

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Trained TT practitioners have been

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trained TT practitioners like Janet Ziegler

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believe that the human body is a complex field of interacting

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00:08:20,040 --> 00:08:22,120

energies that can literally be felt

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00:08:22,120 --> 00:08:25,680

and that can be disturbed by injury or illness.

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00:08:25,680 --> 00:08:29,880

TT practitioners use their hands to reorder these disturbances.

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In Michael's case, his finger mended perfectly,

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although two physicians had predicted the opposite.

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Should therapeutic touch take credit for such successes,

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not everyone is convinced.

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I think the practitioners are good and honest and kind nurses.

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I think their therapy, which stresses energy fields emanating

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00:08:59,200 --> 00:09:06,840

from people, which they seek to influence with their fingers,

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00:09:06,840 --> 00:09:07,640

is baloney.

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The debate has raged since the 1970s,

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when a nurse named Dolores Krieger first

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developed therapeutic touch and defined

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00:09:17,240 --> 00:09:20,720

what makes an effective healer.

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00:09:20,720 --> 00:09:24,160

What you were moved by originally is a compassion,

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00:09:24,160 --> 00:09:27,280

you see, a compassion to help another person.

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00:09:27,280 --> 00:09:30,040

And it's the power of compassion that

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00:09:30,040 --> 00:09:32,880

brings you across that bridge.

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00:09:32,880 --> 00:09:37,320

The good effects are primarily placebo effects.

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That means that what the patient believes

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00:09:41,280 --> 00:09:45,240

will happen will happen.

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00:09:45,240 --> 00:09:47,200

A couple we will call George and Marie

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00:09:47,200 --> 00:09:49,640

could care less about placebos.

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00:09:49,640 --> 00:09:52,320

They learned about therapeutic touch first hand

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00:09:52,320 --> 00:09:56,360

when they were a heartbeat away from a personal tragedy.

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In November of 1993, Marie was six and a half months

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pregnant when she was stricken with preeclampsia.

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00:10:03,480 --> 00:10:06,960

Her body was releasing lethal toxins into her bloodstream,

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00:10:06,960 --> 00:10:10,120

threatening her life and that of her unborn child.

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00:10:10,120 --> 00:10:12,480

We can't wait any longer, George.

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00:10:12,480 --> 00:10:14,080

We have to do with cesarean.

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00:10:14,080 --> 00:10:15,440

Is my baby going to be OK?

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00:10:15,440 --> 00:10:16,280

Baby's fine.

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00:10:16,280 --> 00:10:17,080

She's very healthy.

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00:10:17,080 --> 00:10:18,880

When was the last time I saw you?

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00:10:18,880 --> 00:10:21,040

I remember going into the delivery room,

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00:10:21,040 --> 00:10:24,320

and I felt myself slipping away.

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00:10:24,320 --> 00:10:26,600

I did feel myself slipping away.

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00:10:26,600 --> 00:10:30,360

It felt as if it would have been very easy to just let go,

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00:10:30,360 --> 00:10:33,840

because things were just so drastic at that point.

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00:10:33,840 --> 00:10:38,240

But I knew George was waiting for me and this baby

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00:10:38,240 --> 00:10:40,680

that I wanted more than anything in the whole world.

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00:10:40,680 --> 00:10:42,000

And I knew I had to live.

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00:10:42,000 --> 00:10:43,920

I had to survive for that baby.

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00:10:43,920 --> 00:10:46,440

Next thing I remember, it sounded like a little screech,

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00:10:46,440 --> 00:10:48,040

like a little cat.

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00:10:48,040 --> 00:10:48,960

My daughter was born.

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00:10:51,480 --> 00:10:55,160

And I had mixed feelings and mixed emotions,

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00:10:55,160 --> 00:10:58,520

because I was really worried about my wife.

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00:10:58,520 --> 00:11:00,440

And I was worried about my daughter.

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00:11:00,440 --> 00:11:03,960

Situation kept sea-sollying back and forth.

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00:11:03,960 --> 00:11:05,760

My wife got a little better.

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00:11:05,760 --> 00:11:06,800

My daughter got worse.

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00:11:10,320 --> 00:11:12,080

George and Marie's daughter, Mariah,

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00:11:12,080 --> 00:11:14,680

was born nearly three months premature.

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00:11:14,680 --> 00:11:16,460

She weighed less than two pounds

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00:11:16,460 --> 00:11:19,720

and soon developed critical problems in her immature lungs.

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00:11:19,720 --> 00:11:20,620

OK.

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00:11:23,520 --> 00:11:24,920

I'm Father O'Brien.

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00:11:24,920 --> 00:11:25,840

Hi, Father.

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00:11:25,840 --> 00:11:28,000

I'm very sorry you're having such a rough time.

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00:11:28,000 --> 00:11:30,160

Little Mariah continued to weaken,

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00:11:30,200 --> 00:11:34,600

and hospital officials summoned a priest to baptizer.

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00:11:34,600 --> 00:11:35,560

Shall we do it now?

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00:11:35,560 --> 00:11:36,460

Yes.

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00:11:39,320 --> 00:11:41,240

May God bless this water and this child

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00:11:41,240 --> 00:11:43,360

and all of his children.

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00:11:43,360 --> 00:11:46,080

Name this child.

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00:11:46,080 --> 00:11:47,920

Mariah Eugenia.

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00:11:47,920 --> 00:11:52,240

Mariah Eugenia, I baptize you in the name of the Father,

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00:11:52,240 --> 00:11:55,320

and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

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00:11:55,320 --> 00:11:56,520

Amen.

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00:11:56,520 --> 00:12:01,240

The nurse disconnected the wiring or the tubing

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00:12:01,240 --> 00:12:06,960

from the baby and put the baby in my wife's arms.

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00:12:06,960 --> 00:12:12,320

And my wife held the baby, and she started to cry.

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00:12:12,320 --> 00:12:17,480

And I thought that was it.

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00:12:17,480 --> 00:12:20,520

I thought the baby was dead.

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00:12:21,480 --> 00:12:26,160

In a last-ditch effort to save Mariah,

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00:12:26,160 --> 00:12:29,960

doctors put the tiny infant on a respirator.

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00:12:29,960 --> 00:12:33,520

After the delicate procedure, one of the intensive care nurses

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00:12:33,520 --> 00:12:37,520

began treating Mariah with therapeutic touch.

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00:12:37,520 --> 00:12:40,800

She wasn't slipping drastically under,

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00:12:40,800 --> 00:12:42,920

but she wasn't advancing either.

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00:12:42,920 --> 00:12:46,800

I continued to take care of Mariah for the rest of my shift,

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00:12:46,800 --> 00:12:50,120

and continued to work on her.

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Direct energy and a therapeutic touch

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amounted to her, and continued to do therapeutic touch

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throughout her process in the hospital.

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Basically, I'm a very logical, bottom line,

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shoot straight from the hip person.

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And for someone to talk to me about alternative medicines,

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00:13:10,120 --> 00:13:12,120

they would have to prove it to me.

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Her oxygen numbers, the levels are going up.

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00:13:17,120 --> 00:13:18,120

That's good, right?

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00:13:18,120 --> 00:13:20,120

She's responding well.

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00:13:20,120 --> 00:13:21,120

Look at her.

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00:13:21,120 --> 00:13:22,120

I'm an accountant.

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00:13:22,120 --> 00:13:25,120

I deal in numbers.

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00:13:25,120 --> 00:13:28,120

And to see this, I can relate to it.

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00:13:28,120 --> 00:13:31,120

Every time Joanne took care of the baby,

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00:13:31,120 --> 00:13:35,120

every time Joanne had the baby, the baby got better.

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00:13:35,120 --> 00:13:39,120

The baby's numbers, the baby's numbers,

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00:13:40,120 --> 00:13:45,120

the baby's numbers, the saturation, the heart rate,

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00:13:45,120 --> 00:13:48,120

the numbers got better.

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00:13:48,120 --> 00:13:51,120

Marie was also in critical condition.

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00:13:51,120 --> 00:13:56,120

Joanne began to use therapeutic touch with her.

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00:13:56,120 --> 00:13:59,120

Joanne did basically the same thing for me

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as she had done for Mariah.

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And little by little, it worked.

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And the pain went away.

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And Joanne would not take credit for it.

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It was funny.

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She would just chuck it off like it, you know.

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It was just an everyday thing for her.

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It was part of her nursing technique.

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Oh, wish when you were a girl.

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Oh, you're a little girl once you're a girl.

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Today, Marie and Mariah are back home and healthy.

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The terrifying crisis of November 1993

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is fading into the past, replaced by the busy joy

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of caring for a baby.

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Still, George and Marie will never forget

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how close they came to tragedy.

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The bottom line is my baby's alive.

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And I have the doctors to thank.

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I have the whole nursing staff to thank.

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And more so, I have Joanne to thank.

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Because I believe without Joanne,

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we wouldn't have this baby.

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If you ask George and Marie or the Zigglers,

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they will tell you that therapeutic touch definitely works.

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But we still wanted to find out for ourselves.

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A young woman named Vicki Ewald

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allowed unsolved mysteries to film her first session

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with a TT practitioner.

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When we began, no one knew how the treatment would turn out.

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In 1986, Vicki contracted a stubborn cold

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that escalated into bronchitis,

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and then a debilitating case of chronic asthma.

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Such breathing problems can be triggered

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by either physical or emotional stress,

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but a parade of specialists failed to help Vicki.

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Finally, I was just sick and tired of being sick and tired.

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And I did, um, out of dress,

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just go see somebody that could possibly help me.

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Vicki went to see Joanne O'Reilly,

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the same nurse who attended Mariah in the hospital.

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Joanne had me close my eyes.

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I had no idea what she was doing to me.

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I mean, I sensed that something was going on around me,

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but she wasn't physically touching me.

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And I really felt, for the first time today, relaxed,

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and, I guess, for lack of a better word, centered.

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And as we've been around each other today,

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I was coughing and wheezing most of the day.

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And since Joanne has worked on me, I've coughed once.

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After the session, Vicki experienced a rush of unexpected emotions.

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Uh, well, from the onset, I think, of asthma

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when I first got to the city,

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I also did lose a sibling, a brother.

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That's, that kind of triggered the down, you know, the, um,

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the onset of asthma.

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Yeah, that's when I got very sick and couldn't get back up.

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And then two years ago, I lost my mother.

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Um, and the sister.

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So you've had a lot of grief related.

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Yes.

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In the month after her first session,

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Vicki Ewald went for three more treatments.

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Vicki reported that her breathing improved

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to the point where she felt comfortable

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reducing her asthma medication.

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Even the most dedicated proponents of therapeutic touch

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admit that it doesn't always work.

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Perhaps in the future, medical science

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will unravel the mystery of this intriguing technique.

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In closing, one note of caution.

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All the practitioners we talked to emphasize a therapeutic touch

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should never be performed by anyone without the proper training.

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The residents of the Lombardi family

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in the Columbus, Ohio suburb of Westerville,

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an ordinary townhouse on an ordinary street

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home to a typical middle-class family.

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But on August 30, 1990, Cheryl Lombardi,

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a housewife and mother, would make a tragic discovery,

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one that would forever rip the family

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from the tranquility of suburban life.

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Cheryl had come home at around midnight,

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and she assumed that her 22-year-old son, Tony,

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00:18:22,120 --> 00:18:24,120

would also be home soon.

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She says that around 12.45,

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she heard a door closing in the sound of footsteps.

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Cheryl went to Tony's room to say good night.

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00:18:37,120 --> 00:18:39,120

Son?

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00:18:49,120 --> 00:18:52,120

Cheryl was horrified to find her son lifeless,

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00:18:52,120 --> 00:18:56,120

a single gunshot to the head.

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Tony Lombardi was just a few months shy of his 23rd birthday.

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For Cheryl Lombardi, the familiar pattern of life was shattered.

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That morning, her home swarmed with detectives

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with her son's bedroom at the center of a crime investigation.

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In such cases, clues found at the scene

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will often read like a book,

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clearly revealing what took place

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in implicating any assailants.

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But to those investigating Tony's death,

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the clues seem to tell two conflicting stories,

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00:19:28,120 --> 00:19:33,120

two scenarios that would pit Tony's family against the police.

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Our investigation has been concluded,

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and our investigation says that Tony committed suicide.

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I'm very upset with the fact that I know our son was killed.

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I know he did not commit suicide.

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And I don't think they have a right to rule

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00:19:55,120 --> 00:19:59,120

someone's death a suicide when it was not a suicide,

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00:19:59,120 --> 00:20:04,120

and just close the case and go on like it never happened.

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This home video, made a year before he died,

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00:20:07,120 --> 00:20:10,120

shows Tony Lombardi just as his friends remember him,

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00:20:10,120 --> 00:20:14,120

fun-loving and always ready with a smile.

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00:20:14,120 --> 00:20:16,120

Tony was a hit with the ladies.

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In fact, at the time of his death,

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

he was seeing three women,

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

one of whom was already living with a man.

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00:20:24,120 --> 00:20:27,120

Tony worked the swing shift at a baby food factory,

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00:20:27,120 --> 00:20:30,120

setting up cans to be filled with formula.

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00:20:30,120 --> 00:20:35,120

But on August 29, 1990, Tony didn't show up at the plant.

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00:20:35,120 --> 00:20:37,120

Early the next morning,

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00:20:37,120 --> 00:20:41,120

Cheryl found him in his bedroom, dead.

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00:20:41,120 --> 00:20:44,120

Police arrived at around 1.15 a.m.

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00:20:44,120 --> 00:20:47,120

They discovered Tony's car was missing from the garage,

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00:20:47,120 --> 00:20:49,120

perhaps stolen by an assailant.

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00:20:49,120 --> 00:20:51,120

According to the police,

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the investigation moved swiftly and by the book.

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Our normal procedure is to contact the detectives,

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00:20:58,120 --> 00:21:02,120

have him come, and we treat all death scenes

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00:21:02,120 --> 00:21:06,120

as a homicide until we prove it otherwise.

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00:21:06,120 --> 00:21:09,120

Inside, on the floor near the body,

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00:21:09,120 --> 00:21:12,120

police found a .38 caliber semi-automatic pistol.

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00:21:12,120 --> 00:21:15,120

We'll tag us under 93748.

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00:21:15,120 --> 00:21:19,120

On the bed was a single spent .38 shell.

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00:21:19,120 --> 00:21:23,120

Then investigators found a drunk driving citation

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00:21:23,120 --> 00:21:25,120

in Tony's pants pocket,

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00:21:25,120 --> 00:21:28,120

which pushed the inquiry in an entirely new direction.

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00:21:28,120 --> 00:21:30,120

Two days before his death,

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00:21:30,120 --> 00:21:35,120

Tony had been arrested for driving while intoxicated.

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00:21:35,120 --> 00:21:39,120

Detectives quickly solved the mystery of Tony's missing car.

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00:21:39,120 --> 00:21:41,120

It had been impounded by Columbus police

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00:21:41,120 --> 00:21:43,120

at the time of the arrest.

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00:21:43,120 --> 00:21:45,120

OK, thanks for the info.

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00:21:45,120 --> 00:21:47,120

In addition, Tony had faced fines

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00:21:47,120 --> 00:21:50,120

and possible suspension of his driver's license.

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00:21:50,120 --> 00:21:53,120

To investigators, a portrait had now emerged

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00:21:53,120 --> 00:21:55,120

of a young man stripped of his freedom

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00:21:55,120 --> 00:22:00,120

and despondent over impending legal problems.

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Right now, everything that we have,

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any evidence that we have,

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00:22:04,120 --> 00:22:08,120

indicates Tony's death was a suicide.

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00:22:08,120 --> 00:22:11,120

About the only fact not in dispute

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00:22:11,120 --> 00:22:13,120

is the time of Tony's death several hours

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00:22:13,120 --> 00:22:16,120

before Cheryl came home at around midnight.

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00:22:16,120 --> 00:22:18,120

But Tony's family believes his death

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00:22:18,120 --> 00:22:22,120

was nothing short of cold-blooded murder.

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

I believe that there was a struggle

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00:22:24,120 --> 00:22:29,120

because our son's watch was found broken

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00:22:29,120 --> 00:22:32,120

off of his arm on the floor.

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00:22:32,120 --> 00:22:36,120

He had an inch and a half of a gay shiver's left eye.

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00:22:36,120 --> 00:22:38,120

He had a broken jaw.

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

He had bruises.

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00:22:40,120 --> 00:22:42,120

The fact that he was found nude,

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00:22:42,120 --> 00:22:45,120

he would never let anyone see him nude.

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00:22:45,120 --> 00:22:48,120

Those are all things that I think should have been looked into.

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00:22:48,120 --> 00:22:53,120

Based on her observations that morning,

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00:22:53,120 --> 00:22:56,120

Cheryl believes that not only was her son murdered,

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00:22:56,120 --> 00:22:58,120

the killer was still in Tony's bedroom,

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00:22:58,120 --> 00:23:01,120

even as she moved about the house.

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00:23:01,120 --> 00:23:04,120

Cheryl's evidence is disarmingly simple.

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00:23:04,120 --> 00:23:07,120

The light in Tony's bedroom.

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00:23:07,120 --> 00:23:09,120

Going up and down the steps,

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00:23:09,120 --> 00:23:13,120

you can see my son's room and the door was closed

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00:23:13,120 --> 00:23:16,120

and there was no light on.

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00:23:16,120 --> 00:23:20,120

Going up and down the steps as many times as I did,

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

there is no way I could have missed the light being on.

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00:23:25,120 --> 00:23:27,120

Cheryl assumed Tony hadn't yet arrived

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00:23:27,120 --> 00:23:31,120

because the light in his bedroom was off.

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00:23:31,120 --> 00:23:35,120

Cheryl says that 45 minutes later, she heard the noise.

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00:23:41,120 --> 00:23:43,120

When she saw that the light in Tony's room was on,

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00:23:43,120 --> 00:23:46,120

she assumed he had finally come home.

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00:23:46,120 --> 00:23:48,120

Son?

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00:23:48,120 --> 00:23:50,120

When I went to the room,

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00:23:50,120 --> 00:23:53,120

I could immediately see the light was on underneath the door.

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00:23:53,120 --> 00:23:55,120

It was obvious.

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00:23:55,120 --> 00:23:57,120

Son?

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00:23:57,120 --> 00:24:03,120

I opened the door and that's when I found my son dead.

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00:24:05,120 --> 00:24:08,120

Who could have turned on the light?

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00:24:08,120 --> 00:24:10,120

Cheryl now believes it was the killer,

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00:24:10,120 --> 00:24:14,120

trapped in Tony's room by her arrival home.

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00:24:14,120 --> 00:24:19,120

I believe in my mind that I came in on someone

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00:24:19,120 --> 00:24:22,120

that had killed her son.

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00:24:22,120 --> 00:24:25,120

I believed that I surprised him

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00:24:25,120 --> 00:24:28,120

and then when I went to my bedroom to get ready for bed,

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00:24:28,120 --> 00:24:31,120

they thought that was a good opportunity for them to leave

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00:24:31,120 --> 00:24:34,120

and I believe that's when I heard was someone leaving.

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00:24:34,120 --> 00:24:38,120

She was questioned by a detective there later on

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00:24:38,120 --> 00:24:42,120

after she had composed herself a little bit.

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00:24:42,120 --> 00:24:44,120

As to what the noise was she heard,

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00:24:44,120 --> 00:24:46,120

he specifically asked her,

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00:24:46,120 --> 00:24:50,120

was the noise, a house noise, say a door shutting,

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00:24:50,120 --> 00:24:53,120

air conditioner kicking on, step creaking,

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00:24:53,120 --> 00:24:57,120

and she said, I can't remember what it was.

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00:24:57,120 --> 00:24:59,120

I really don't remember.

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00:24:59,120 --> 00:25:01,120

They'll never change what I heard

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00:25:01,120 --> 00:25:03,120

and what made me go to our son's room.

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00:25:03,120 --> 00:25:07,120

I went to our son's room because I heard him come in in my mind.

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00:25:07,120 --> 00:25:09,120

I heard the door shut.

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00:25:09,120 --> 00:25:12,120

To me, my son had come home.

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00:25:12,120 --> 00:25:17,120

To Tony's parents, there was further evidence pointing to murder.

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00:25:17,120 --> 00:25:19,120

In the week before he died,

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00:25:19,120 --> 00:25:22,120

Tony was the target of two different death threats.

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00:25:22,120 --> 00:25:24,120

A woman who lived next door

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00:25:24,120 --> 00:25:28,120

witnessed the driver of a white pickup truck screaming at Tony.

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00:25:28,120 --> 00:25:30,120

You ever cut me off like that again?

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00:25:30,120 --> 00:25:31,120

And I'll kill you.

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00:25:31,120 --> 00:25:32,120

You hear me?

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00:25:32,120 --> 00:25:34,120

I said, do you hear me?

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00:25:34,120 --> 00:25:35,120

I hear you.

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00:25:35,120 --> 00:25:36,120

Where do you live?

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00:25:36,120 --> 00:25:38,120

I said, where do you live?

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00:25:38,120 --> 00:25:39,120

Right here.

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00:25:39,120 --> 00:25:41,120

Right here?

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00:25:41,120 --> 00:25:42,120

Good.

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00:25:42,120 --> 00:25:43,120

I got it.

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00:25:47,120 --> 00:25:50,120

We called the police and told them the woman's name

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00:25:50,120 --> 00:25:52,120

and where she lived, which was a next door neighbor.

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00:25:52,120 --> 00:25:55,120

To my knowledge, as of yesterday,

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00:25:55,120 --> 00:25:58,120

they have still never talked to this woman.

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00:25:58,120 --> 00:26:01,120

Tony's father overheard the second death threat

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00:26:01,120 --> 00:26:04,120

just a few days later.

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00:26:04,120 --> 00:26:06,120

I was checking my messages,

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00:26:06,120 --> 00:26:10,120

and I heard this threat on our voicemail of a gentleman,

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00:26:10,120 --> 00:26:12,120

a young person telling Tony that he had a gun

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00:26:12,120 --> 00:26:16,120

and was going to use it if Tony didn't stay away from his girlfriend.

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00:26:17,120 --> 00:26:19,120

And at that point, I brought that up to Tony,

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00:26:19,120 --> 00:26:21,120

and he said not to worry about it,

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00:26:21,120 --> 00:26:26,120

that he had a friend of his called this person who knew him well

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00:26:26,120 --> 00:26:31,120

and thought it could be worked out that way.

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00:26:32,120 --> 00:26:36,120

Tony's best friend, Andy Royer, agreed to mediate.

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00:26:37,120 --> 00:26:39,120

I told Tony that I talked to the guy

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00:26:39,120 --> 00:26:41,120

and see what the deal was on it,

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00:26:41,120 --> 00:26:43,120

and I called him up,

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00:26:43,120 --> 00:26:47,120

and he said to me that his problem was not with me,

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00:26:47,120 --> 00:26:50,120

it was with Tony, and that he would take care of it.

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00:26:50,120 --> 00:26:53,120

Tony would get what was coming to him.

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00:26:53,120 --> 00:26:57,120

Lead detective on the case contacted as many people as he could

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00:26:57,120 --> 00:27:00,120

on the case, either by phone or in person,

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00:27:00,120 --> 00:27:03,120

and attempted to question him about what they had said

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00:27:03,120 --> 00:27:05,120

or somebody said they had said,

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00:27:05,120 --> 00:27:10,120

and we found no evidence that Tony was under any immediate death threats.

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00:27:11,120 --> 00:27:15,120

The police never contacted me about Tony's death at all.

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00:27:15,120 --> 00:27:20,120

I never heard from anybody about anything.

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00:27:22,120 --> 00:27:24,120

The Lombardies dispute the official conclusions

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00:27:24,120 --> 00:27:27,120

drawn from some of the physical evidence.

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For example, a test that revealed Tony had recently handled a metal object.

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00:27:33,120 --> 00:27:38,120

Any metal is going to give that trace metal detection,

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00:27:38,120 --> 00:27:44,120

but the conclusion that we come to is that Tony was holding that gun in his hand,

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00:27:44,120 --> 00:27:48,120

and part of that conclusion stems from the trace metal detection.

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00:27:49,120 --> 00:27:52,120

He worked on a can line downtown at the Columbus plant.

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00:27:52,120 --> 00:27:55,120

He handled cans daily.

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00:27:56,120 --> 00:28:00,120

Naturally, you would have metal on your hands from working with that.

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00:28:02,120 --> 00:28:06,120

The position of Tony's body and the trajectory of the fatal bullet

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are also subjects of bitter controversy.

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This was our son's bed that he was actually killed in,

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and when I found him, he was laying on the bed,

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and there was two pillows propped underneath his head,

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or underneath his shoulders, I'm sorry, his head was above the pillows.

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He was laying on the edge of the bed.

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The pillows were under his shoulders.

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His head was above, above the pillow.

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Her son's head was on a couple of pillows,

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and the detectives examined the angle,

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removed that spent bullet from the headboard,

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and had every indication there that that bullet,

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the trajectory of that bullet was correct.

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And the bullet hole in the headboard is behind the pillows,

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and as you can see, it's down there,

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and if you take a pencil and you insert that into the headboard,

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you can see that the bullet hole is much lower than the way I found our son.

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The bullet hole does not make sense to me,

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unless there was some pressure on top of Tony holding him down,

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the bullet would have been much higher in the headboard.

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Finally, Cheryl says the county coroner found bruises on Tony's chest

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directly under his clenched hands.

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To Cheryl, proof her son was forcibly held down by an assailant.

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The last minutes of Tony Lombardi's life remain clouded by controversy.

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As far as a police are concerned,

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the 22-year-old took his own life,

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a conclusion supported by the county coroner,

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the sheriff's department, and the district attorney.

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The West River Police sure have sympathy for the family.

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I mean, anybody would have sympathy for the family,

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and it's a very sad situation, and they've suffered a lot of trauma.

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But, you know, we have to deal in the facts,

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and the facts of this investigation reveal what happened was a suicide.

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Until they open our son's case back up and change the cause of his death,

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I will not stop until the last breath is taken from my body.

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And if I do not exceed to be able to get that done,

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till the day I die, then I'll fight him from eternity.

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Next, the next GI searches for the unsung hero who saved his life in Vietnam.

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The Exotic

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To natives of Oahu in Hawaii, the exotic is commonplace.

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Most of them would probably drive right by the farm

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that Mitchell Shigemoto and his wife Connie run

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and never give it a second look.

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I've got all the chickens, I think you overfed them.

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Thank you.

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A passerby would never guess that Mitchell Shigemoto has a story to tell.

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In fact, has an unsolved mystery that he hopes our viewers can help solve.

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Back in 1963, Mitchell was a 17-year-old volunteer in the United States Army.

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He was 5'4 inches tall and weighed 110 pounds.

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Nevertheless, he signed up for the demanding 173rd Airborne Division.

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Since you ladies don't know how to march, we're going to take a little run.

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Mitchell was the smallest man in basic training

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and the only Asian American in his company.

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From the start, he faced an uphill battle.

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Due to my size, I was told that I could never make it, being a paratrooper.

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So that in itself gave me the incentive to try harder.

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We started maybe with about 800 men

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and the graduating class was maybe less than 300.

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So it was quite an accomplishment just to get through it.

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It was tough being a part of the 173rd.

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It was clearly an elite airborne unit with its own special spree decor

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created specially to go to Vietnam.

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First to be deployed by helicopters in combat

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and the only combat unit to make a parachute combat jump in Vietnam.

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In February of 1964, Mitchell Shigemoto became a full-fledged member of the 173rd.

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The unit was stationed in Okinawa before transfer to Vietnam.

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Mitchell was all too aware of his physical resemblance to the enemy.

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That's where I initially started getting some problems

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because at that time in the Army, we got paid once a month

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and we got paid in cash and I put the money away

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and somehow one way or another it got stolen from me.

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It was common knowledge around the barracks that Mitchell was being victimized.

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Only one soldier stepped forward to befriend him.

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Hey man, we're going out tonight. Do you want to come with us?

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Oh, I don't feel like it, eh?

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It's going to be me and a couple of other soldiers. Come on.

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Maybe next time.

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He knew that I didn't have any money.

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On his way out, he dropped a 20 on my bunk and just left the barracks.

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It really caught me by surprise.

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I was thinking like, he must be quite a person to even be generous enough

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to help out a person who's basically a stranger yet, you know,

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because I was fairly new there.

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I didn't get to know very many people yet.

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In time, Mitchell became a regular

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and James Pearson's going to be a part of the Army.

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Mitchell became a regular and James Pearson's group of friends.

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They went everywhere together.

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You know, you know, there's this black section of town called Four Corners.

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And I used to go down there with him and feel comfortable.

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And we could sit down and listen to the music.

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And as long as they knew that James was my friend, I had no worries at all.

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In May of 1965, the 173rd Airborne shipped out to Vietnam.

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At the front, Mitchell's Asian heritage became a major problem

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and his friendship with James was more important than ever.

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I remember one particular incident when we came back off of an operation to our 10th city.

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And that's our chance to get hot meals.

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One of the guys who was serving, he didn't want to serve me.

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So when I got in front of him, he... I just stood there and he just looked at me and said...

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Move on, Jeff. Hey, you got a problem?

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Yeah, I don't serve zipper heads.

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Let's go.

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You want to go?

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Come on! Come on!

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What's the problem?

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Why don't you just do your job and serve the soldier?

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Right, just relax, okay?

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No, no, no, no, no. You relax. I was going to be me and you.

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All right?

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The business of being an Asian-American in combat in Southeast Asia

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is probably beyond my capacity to really understand it.

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We were killing people who looked just like Mitch.

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And I don't know how he dealt with that.

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It must have been extremely difficult for him.

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It's a burden that many of us didn't have to deal with.

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Over and above the burdens of, am I going to be killed, maimed?

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What's going to happen to me today?

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By the end of 1965, the war has significantly escalated.

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Nine months after the 173rd Airborne arrived in Vietnam,

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they found themselves facing Viet Cong guerrillas on an almost daily basis.

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The enemy was very good at picking the times and places that they engaged you.

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So often we were in open positions and having to confront them in concealed positions.

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It was dangerous work.

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January 2, 1966, Viet Cong bullet tore through Mitchell Shigemoto's thigh.

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James was immediately by my side.

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There was one sniper that was keying in on us.

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James took a position right in front of me, just like he was trying to block off the shots.

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James actually saved my life.

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There was another guy, Salazar, they pulled me to cover.

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And then a medic came by.

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He asked me what kind of pain I was in and he gave me a shot of medication to try to take the pain away.

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And then he moved on to catch up with the company.

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That's when I guess James and Salazar decided to take me back to the evacuation point.

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James Pearson feared that Mitchell would succumb to shock.

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He and the GI named Salazar defied regulations and carried Mitchell to safety.

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Maybe in the military textbooks, you're supposed to continue with your mission.

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And the fulfillment of that mission actually protects you all.

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But, you know, that was his best buddy there.

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And I'll never, I could never fault him for what he did.

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If they didn't stop, James didn't stop to give me aid.

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I probably wouldn't be oriented enough to know which way to go to get to an evacuation point by myself.

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So, you could really see that James actually saved my life.

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Is he going to be alright? He'll be fine, he'll be fine. Get back to unit.

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Alright, man. Hang in there.

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Alright, he'll be alright.

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I'll see you later.

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Mitchell had no idea that he would not return to the 173rd Airborne.

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That he would never serve beside James Pearson again.

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A few weeks later, Mitchell was sent home to Hawaii.

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He never saw James Pearson again and never had the opportunity to properly thank the man who saved his life.

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After our broadcast, all that would change in a most remarkable way.

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A viewer in San Bernardino, California, retired Lieutenant Colonel Truman Plants

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took it upon himself to track down James Pearson.

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One week later, Lieutenant Colonel Plants found him in Chicago.

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And before long, James, his fiancée and his two grown daughters

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were on their way to Hawaii to visit Mitchell Shigimoto and his family.

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As Mitchell's relatives gathered to welcome James,

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the two old comrades caught their first glimpse of one another in nearly 30 years.

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Mitchell!

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How are you doing, pal?

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Great.

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It's great to see you.

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00:40:04,120 --> 00:40:05,120

Great to see you.

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You still look the same.

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It was complete joy.

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Happiness.

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It's just great to see you.

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I had to compose myself, you know.

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It was just complete overwhelming and unbelievable.

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Mitchell's wife Connie greeted James in traditional Hawaiian fashion.

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After all, this was the man who saved her husband's life.

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And who is this one?

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The bottom line, I wasn't going to leave him out there alone under those conditions.

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I couldn't have did it.

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Were regulations permitted, rules permitted?

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No, I just couldn't have did it.

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It took a lot from a real special person to do something like that.

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And my wife, when she heard that story,

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she made it a point to try to locate him with no success until we find you guys.

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That's my next objective.

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James spent a full week in Hawaii with Mitchell.

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The two of them never stopped talking about the past and the future,

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planning the time when they would see each other again.

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So how does it feel to be back together?

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They haven't come over their word yet.

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When they come over their word, I'll write you and let you know.

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There is no word for the feeling, you know, for right now.

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They have come over their word.

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When we return from childhood sweethearts to murder,

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a tragedy of David and Alice Vieira.

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June 29, 1974.

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In the main church on the Portuguese island of St. Michael,

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twin sisters Alice and Georgina Aruda married their sweethearts.

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Alice was 17 and her new husband David Vieira was just 16.

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David and Alice were first cousins,

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but such unions are common among traditional Portuguese families.

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On that festive day, no one could have imagined

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that 14 years later and 5,000 miles away in America,

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Alice would be the victim of a vicious murder

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and some of the same family members would gather again

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to mourn at Alice's grave.

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Alice Vieira's life and death seemed to have been shaped

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by age-old Portuguese traditions.

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She grew up in a society where marriages were arranged,

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where a daughter was brought up to obey first her father

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and later her husband.

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It was a devoutly Catholic world where only death could truly end a marriage.

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Alice and David were born on St. Michael,

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one of a group of islands west of Portugal known as the Azores.

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When Alice was 9, her family emigrated to New Bedford, Massachusetts,

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35 miles south of Boston.

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Even in America, Alice's father was determined

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that his children would be brought up in accordance with the old ways.

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My dad was very strict with the girls.

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We weren't allowed to wear makeup, we couldn't wear shorts,

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and definitely we couldn't have boyfriends.

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You know, it was a go to school, come home, do housework and stay in the house.

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We were not allowed to even sit out in the porch.

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That's how strict he was.

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Alice was 12 when an unexpected letter arrived from Portugal.

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It was from her cousin David, then 11 years old.

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To Alice's surprise, David was proposing that they be engaged.

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What some might have regarded as no more than a child's infatuation

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was taken very seriously by a traditional family like the Arutas.

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At first my mom says, oh, you know, you're kind of young,

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and my father right away insisted that she should start writing to him

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because that was his family,

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and knowing that, you know, that'd be nice being married into the family,

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so he gave the okay on Alice.

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And she wrote back to David stating that they would be going out by writing.

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The letters continued for five years.

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David and Alice never once talked on the phone.

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They didn't see each other until the summer of 1974,

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when Alice and her family returned to St. Michael for the wedding.

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At the time that David asked Alice for marriage,

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Alice insisted also on marrying him

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because she thought it would be better if she would have a little bit of freedom,

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which we never had.

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David and Alice eventually settled near her parents in New Bedford.

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Although David spoke little English,

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he found work in a textbook plant.

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Within a year, Alice was pregnant.

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The marriage went off pretty good,

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like maybe I'd say about the first couple of months,

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and then, you know, already he was already starting with her,

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you know, she couldn't wear makeup, she couldn't do anything,

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you know, he was very jealous, very possessive of my sister.

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By 1981, Alice and David had three children.

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Fautema says that as the years went by,

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David rarely lost an opportunity to snarl at Alice or the children.

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David, let's go and get some coffee.

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Come on, Dad.

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00:46:10,120 --> 00:46:12,120

David, let's go and get some coffee.

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Sit down.

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What are you doing here in this house?

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David, let's go and get some coffee.

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She stayed with him because she figured, you know,

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he's the father of the kids, and that's how she was brought up, you know,

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you've got to be with your husband, and that's the way it is, you know.

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According to Fautema, David's anger seemed to erupt without cause

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and continue without end.

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He used to always say, if you ever leave me, I'm going to kill you.

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There's no other woman in my, you know, for my life like you are,

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you know, you're a good mother, you have a good cook,

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and he always had threatened her that if she ever decided to leave him

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for anybody, that he would kill her.

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But we never took it seriously, you know.

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Sometimes she'd go up to my parents and tell my mom and dad,

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Ma, I can't take him anymore, he's always beaten me up

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for any little reason, and he's always beaten up the kids,

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and my parents would always, like, tell her,

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you've got to stay with him, he's your husband, you know,

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it's going to be a shame to the family if you divorce him.

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We don't believe in divorce, so they kept shoving it back to him.

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You got a bunch of feet.

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You got a bunch of feet.

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You got a bunch of feet.

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You got a bunch of feet.

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You got a bunch of feet.

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Finally after 14 years of abuse, Alice found the courage

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to defy her parents and her husband.

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She finally felt strong enough to say,

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I can't take it anymore, and she decided to get him out of the house.

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She finally sat down and says, David, I can't take it anymore,

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I want you to leave.

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David moved out in the summer of 1988,

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and Alice began to build a new life for herself.

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She enrolled in nursing school, fulfilling a lifelong dream,

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and she began to see another man.

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But David Vieira would not let go.

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He began to stalk Alice at work and at home, night and day.

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Let me talk to you.

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With my mom.

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OK.

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David, talk to me.

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You're going to the shower?

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Yes, to the shower.

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Her boyfriend went by the house to see her that morning,

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and David drove up and down,

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and I think he spotted the boyfriend's car at the house,

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and my brother-in-law couldn't take that.

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Alice's boyfriend witnessed the attack

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and ran a mile to the nearest police station to get help.

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Alice had been bludgeoned with a tire jack,

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then stabbed 24 times with a butcher knife.

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She was a real killer.

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She was a real killer.

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She was a real killer.

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She was a real killer.

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She was a real killer.

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She was a real killer.

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David was stabbed 24 times with a butcher knife.

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By the time authorities arrived at the scene,

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the young mother of three was dead.

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David Vieira was nowhere to be found.

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We learned that he in fact had taken a bus

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from far river Massachusetts to Boston, Massachusetts,

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and then from Boston to Canada.

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Someone matching his description didn't in fact

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get off a bus in Canada near Hamilton, Ontario.

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And from that point on, we were unable to find out where he went.

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Update. David Vieira had vanished,

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and for nearly six years he could not be found

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until the night of our broadcast.

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Our particular segment on that show aired

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Our Time here in New Bedford, Massachusetts

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at approximately 8.50 p.m.

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By 9.03 p.m., I was receiving telephone calls

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from Canada right here into my office

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with very good leads as to his whereabouts.

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The first phone call that I received

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saying that they knew where he was,

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I just jumped up with joy and told my husband,

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I think we got him, you know, and I couldn't believe it.

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It took less than 48 hours to apprehend him.

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Vieira had lived in Montreal for at least two years

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and was well known in the Portuguese community.

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He belonged to a neighborhood soccer team

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and was employed at a local fish market.

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Vieira's coworkers were stunned to learn about his secret past.

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For me it's a dream. I don't believe the guy do that.

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I don't believe.

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That guy is so nice.

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It's true because we see the pictures.

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If we don't see the picture, it's exactly the man.

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If we don't see, we never trust.

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I've seen him apprehended and with handcuffs,

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and to me that was a sign of saying thank God I can rest

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and my sister can also be at peace now that he's caught.

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On our next Unsolved Mysteries,

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the fascinating saga of the infamous gangster Dutch Schultz

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and his lost treasure.

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Legend has it that in 1933, Schultz buried cash,

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gems and bonds were \$7 million near a creek in upstate New York.

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Less than two years later, Schultz was gunned down by rival mobsters,

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and as far as anyone knows, his hidden fortune was never recovered.

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Join me next Wednesday

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for another intriguing edition of Unsolved Mysteries.

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We'll be back with another episode of Unsolved Mysteries.

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