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00:00:05,840 --> 00:00:07,620

Tonight on Unsolved Mysteries.

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00:00:10,420 --> 00:00:12,800

Responding to a routine call, love

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00:00:12,800 --> 00:00:17,100

can Texas firefighters made a gruesome discovery.

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00:00:17,100 --> 00:00:19,240

The partially burned body of a young woman

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00:00:19,240 --> 00:00:21,440

was tied to her own bed.

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00:00:21,440 --> 00:00:23,600

Authorities now need your help to find

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00:00:23,600 --> 00:00:26,340

the murderer of 26-year-old Megan Curle.

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00:00:26,340 --> 00:00:32,060

It was a brazen crime spree committed by an unlikely suspect

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00:00:32,060 --> 00:00:34,820

that left three dead bodies in his wake.

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00:00:34,820 --> 00:00:37,860

In 1970, 18-year-old Margo Freshwater

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00:00:37,860 --> 00:00:41,420

was convicted of murder, but she escaped custody.

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00:00:41,420 --> 00:00:44,660

She has abated authorities for more than three decades,

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00:00:44,660 --> 00:00:48,980

and tonight, a shocking new development.

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00:00:48,980 --> 00:00:51,220

An apparent drowning causes suspicion

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00:00:51,220 --> 00:00:53,980

when the supposed victim turns out to be a man awaiting

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00:00:53,980 --> 00:00:55,340

trial of her rape.

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00:00:55,340 --> 00:00:58,740

Authorities need your help to determine if Strider Starfire

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00:00:58,740 --> 00:01:02,060

is dead or alive.

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00:01:02,060 --> 00:01:04,460

A man and a woman inexplicably vanished

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00:01:04,460 --> 00:01:06,420

in America's heartland.

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00:01:06,420 --> 00:01:09,940

The massive search for the pair has failed to turn up anything,

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00:01:09,940 --> 00:01:14,420

except for a single bizarre clue.

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00:01:14,420 --> 00:01:16,660

Growing up, Virginia Burns never knew

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00:01:16,660 --> 00:01:19,980

that her father had a hidden secret, a previous marriage,

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00:01:19,980 --> 00:01:21,860

and another daughter.

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00:01:21,860 --> 00:01:24,860

Now Virginia and her sister are finally together,

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00:01:24,900 --> 00:01:27,940

thanks to you, our viewers.

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00:01:27,940 --> 00:01:31,340

Join me for these stories of intriguing deception,

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00:01:31,340 --> 00:01:33,940

prime ingredients of unsolved mysteries.

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00:01:54,860 --> 00:02:23,660

4AM, Lufkin, Texas.

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00:02:23,700 --> 00:02:26,380

Awaken by the smell of smoke, an apartment resident

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00:02:26,380 --> 00:02:27,300

investigates.

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00:02:29,980 --> 00:02:31,740

Flames are raging out of control

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00:02:31,740 --> 00:02:34,100

in a unit on the second floor.

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00:02:34,100 --> 00:02:36,060

The man immediately calls 911.

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00:02:39,180 --> 00:02:41,740

The Lufkin Fire Department arrives within minutes.

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00:02:44,460 --> 00:02:46,300

With hoses drawn, the firefighters

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00:02:46,300 --> 00:02:51,020

waste no time racing to the apparent source of the blaze.

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00:02:51,020 --> 00:02:54,780

Apartment 616 is locked, requiring a forced entry

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00:02:54,780 --> 00:02:55,300

to be made.

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00:02:59,860 --> 00:03:02,700

The fire is confined to the bedroom of the small apartment.

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00:03:08,540 --> 00:03:10,900

As firefighters extinguish the blaze,

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00:03:10,900 --> 00:03:14,180

a chilling sight is revealed.

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00:03:14,180 --> 00:03:18,500

Tied to the posts of the bed is a charred body of a woman.

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00:03:18,500 --> 00:03:21,180

Homicide investigators are immediately called in.

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00:03:24,780 --> 00:03:27,180

She had been suffocated with a plastic bag,

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00:03:27,180 --> 00:03:29,820

and her throat had been cut very deeply.

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00:03:29,820 --> 00:03:32,420

Two different cuts, one on each side.

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00:03:32,420 --> 00:03:36,460

And then the bed had been set afire.

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00:03:36,460 --> 00:03:39,140

This crime was absolutely the meanest thing

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00:03:39,140 --> 00:03:41,020

I've ever seen one person do to another.

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00:03:44,540 --> 00:03:47,060

Dental records would identify the victim's apartment

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00:03:47,060 --> 00:03:49,540

resident, Megan Curle.

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00:03:49,540 --> 00:03:52,620

The 26-year-old woman worked at a local chicken processing

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00:03:52,620 --> 00:03:56,460

plant and had been a Lufkin resident for five years.

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00:03:56,460 --> 00:04:00,100

Investigators continue to face a perplexing question.

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00:04:00,100 --> 00:04:03,780

Who could commit such grisly acts on this well-liked young woman?

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00:04:07,140 --> 00:04:10,220

Megan Curle was born into a military family.

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00:04:10,220 --> 00:04:13,980

Younger brothers Josh and Sean soon followed.

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00:04:13,980 --> 00:04:18,300

In first grade, Megan was diagnosed with mild retardation,

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00:04:18,300 --> 00:04:22,700

requiring that she attend special education classes.

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00:04:22,700 --> 00:04:25,620

Her life was never really easy.

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00:04:25,620 --> 00:04:29,260

She wasn't always accepted.

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00:04:29,260 --> 00:04:32,100

People would make fun of her, put her down,

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00:04:32,100 --> 00:04:36,060

and she'd always come back with a kind word for them.

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00:04:36,060 --> 00:04:39,620

When Megan was in high school, her family settled in Lufkin,

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00:04:39,620 --> 00:04:43,260

175 miles southeast of Dallas.

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00:04:43,260 --> 00:04:46,940

Megan would marry at 18 and move to Arkansas.

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00:04:46,940 --> 00:04:51,180

But according to Sherri McClung, that marriage was abusive.

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00:04:51,180 --> 00:04:54,100

When they separated, Megan returned to Lufkin

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00:04:54,100 --> 00:04:57,100

and insisted on getting her own apartment.

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00:04:57,100 --> 00:05:03,100

Because Megan was so trusting and was so outgoing,

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00:05:03,100 --> 00:05:08,300

she tended to be an easy target for some of these men.

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00:05:08,300 --> 00:05:13,820

Men who are accustomed to looking for women who

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00:05:13,820 --> 00:05:18,780

could be easy prey absolutely could tell that Megan wanted

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00:05:18,780 --> 00:05:23,780

to please, that Megan wanted somebody to care for her,

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00:05:23,780 --> 00:05:26,340

and that she was lonely.

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00:05:26,340 --> 00:05:30,420

And I think that that is part of what happened here.

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00:05:30,420 --> 00:05:33,980

Megan's mother's suspicions may be on the mark.

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00:05:33,980 --> 00:05:36,260

Earlier on the night of her murder,

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00:05:36,300 --> 00:05:42,220

Megan Kerl went to the Electric Cowboy, a local nightclub.

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00:05:42,220 --> 00:05:46,460

She was seen talking with a man at the Electric Cowboy Club,

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00:05:46,460 --> 00:05:49,340

and that man did buy her one or two drinks.

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00:05:49,340 --> 00:05:52,300

She talked with him off and on through the night at the club.

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00:05:52,300 --> 00:05:55,060

She wasn't with him the entire night.

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00:05:55,060 --> 00:05:57,380

No one at the club knew who this man was,

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00:05:57,380 --> 00:06:03,540

and no one reported ever seeing him there before or since.

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00:06:03,540 --> 00:06:07,260

Megan loved to dance, and sometimes her dancing

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00:06:07,260 --> 00:06:09,100

was a little bit provocative, particularly

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00:06:09,100 --> 00:06:13,140

for that area of Texas.

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00:06:13,140 --> 00:06:14,700

She was asked to leave the club.

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00:06:19,700 --> 00:06:23,380

She went to another club called the Sports Shack,

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00:06:23,380 --> 00:06:26,140

just a little ways down the road from the Electric Cowboy

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00:06:26,140 --> 00:06:27,340

Club.

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00:06:27,340 --> 00:06:29,500

She talked to some people there and caught a ride

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00:06:29,500 --> 00:06:32,620

with an employee of the Sports Shack home.

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00:06:32,620 --> 00:06:36,060

Megan arrived home just after 1.30 AM.

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00:06:36,060 --> 00:06:38,740

A close friend who lived in the same apartment complex

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00:06:38,740 --> 00:06:42,540

was waiting up for Megan to hear the details of her night out.

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00:06:42,540 --> 00:06:46,140

Hey, can I come up there?

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00:06:46,140 --> 00:06:47,060

Wow.

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00:06:47,060 --> 00:06:49,500

Yeah, the manager came right up to me on the dance floor

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00:06:49,500 --> 00:06:50,940

and told me I had to leave.

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00:06:50,940 --> 00:06:52,700

What were they do that for?

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00:06:52,700 --> 00:06:55,340

Megan's friend requested that we alter her voice

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00:06:55,340 --> 00:06:57,940

and protect her identity.

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00:06:57,940 --> 00:07:00,300

Well, we'll stand out there talking,

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00:07:00,300 --> 00:07:04,260

and all of a sudden, there was this guy in his car,

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00:07:04,260 --> 00:07:08,020

and he was speeding really fast, and he just did a dead stop.

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00:07:08,020 --> 00:07:08,940

He's driving crazy.

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00:07:08,940 --> 00:07:10,540

He's going to kill somebody.

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00:07:10,540 --> 00:07:14,980

But instead of getting out, the driver remained in the car.

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00:07:14,980 --> 00:07:18,500

Then I said, well, why is the guy just sitting there?

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00:07:18,500 --> 00:07:19,380

Hey, you know what?

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00:07:19,380 --> 00:07:21,580

I think that might be my friend from the club.

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00:07:21,580 --> 00:07:22,580

Really?

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00:07:22,580 --> 00:07:24,220

Yeah, I think I'm going to go say hi to him.

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00:07:24,220 --> 00:07:25,020

Are you sure?

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00:07:25,020 --> 00:07:25,900

Yeah.

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00:07:25,900 --> 00:07:26,980

Well, you be careful.

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00:07:26,980 --> 00:07:29,940

OK, OK.

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00:07:29,980 --> 00:07:33,580

As Megan's friend watched, Megan approached the driver.

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00:07:33,580 --> 00:07:35,660

She seemed to recognize him.

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00:07:35,660 --> 00:07:37,340

They began to talk.

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00:07:37,340 --> 00:07:40,020

I go back into the apartment to give me something to eat,

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00:07:40,020 --> 00:07:41,100

because I'm hungry.

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00:07:41,100 --> 00:07:44,580

And the one who went back out, next time,

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00:07:44,580 --> 00:07:47,340

she was sitting inside the car.

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00:07:47,340 --> 00:07:50,500

And each little thing, I was getting more worried,

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00:07:50,500 --> 00:07:54,060

you know, what she was doing.

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00:07:54,060 --> 00:07:57,620

And then when I went back in again, and I came back out,

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00:07:57,660 --> 00:08:00,180

the car was still there, but neither one of them was there.

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00:08:00,180 --> 00:08:02,060

They were gone.

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00:08:02,060 --> 00:08:03,420

And I was like, oh, Lord.

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00:08:07,460 --> 00:08:11,020

Megan's friend was so concerned, she went up to Megan's apartment

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00:08:11,020 --> 00:08:11,780

to check on her.

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00:08:14,780 --> 00:08:15,580

Hey.

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00:08:15,580 --> 00:08:16,380

Oh, hey.

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00:08:16,380 --> 00:08:17,580

Is everything all right?

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00:08:17,580 --> 00:08:18,380

Yeah.

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00:08:18,380 --> 00:08:19,280

You sure?

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00:08:19,280 --> 00:08:20,180

She said hi.

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00:08:20,180 --> 00:08:20,980

She says, I was right.

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00:08:20,980 --> 00:08:23,020

It was my friend from the club.

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00:08:23,020 --> 00:08:27,220

And I looked down to him, and he just nodded his head slowly.

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00:08:27,220 --> 00:08:29,020

Didn't say a word.

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00:08:29,020 --> 00:08:32,220

And I didn't speak to him at all either.

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00:08:32,220 --> 00:08:35,340

And I says, well, are you sure you're OK?

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00:08:35,340 --> 00:08:36,820

And she says, yes, I'm fine.

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00:08:36,820 --> 00:08:37,320

Yeah.

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00:08:37,320 --> 00:08:37,820

OK.

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00:08:37,820 --> 00:08:38,620

OK.

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00:08:38,620 --> 00:08:39,380

Go now.

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00:08:39,380 --> 00:08:40,180

OK, I will.

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00:08:40,180 --> 00:08:41,180

OK, bye.

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00:08:41,180 --> 00:08:44,140

That would be the last time she would see Megan alive.

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00:08:48,580 --> 00:08:51,060

When Megan Curle's body was found,

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00:08:51,060 --> 00:08:53,340

there was a remnant of a nightgown on her.

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00:08:53,340 --> 00:08:55,220

Most of it had burned off.

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00:08:55,220 --> 00:08:57,940

In interviewing men from her past,

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00:08:57,940 --> 00:09:00,260

we learned that her normal sleeping attire

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00:09:00,260 --> 00:09:03,540

would be something along the lines of shorts and a t-shirt.

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00:09:03,540 --> 00:09:06,300

But if she were going to be romantically involved,

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00:09:06,300 --> 00:09:09,860

she would sometimes wear a negligee or a nightgown.

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00:09:09,860 --> 00:09:14,900

We feel like because of that, possibly, she knew this person

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00:09:14,900 --> 00:09:19,700

and was preparing for an intimate evening with them.

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00:09:19,700 --> 00:09:23,100

The very thought that Megan was killed by someone she trusted

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00:09:23,100 --> 00:09:26,060

compounds Sherry McClung's grief.

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00:09:26,060 --> 00:09:29,660

I believe that Megan knew who the murderer was

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00:09:29,660 --> 00:09:33,540

because she got in the car with this person.

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00:09:33,540 --> 00:09:37,940

Megan would have gotten in the car with a person that she knew.

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00:09:37,940 --> 00:09:40,180

There was not a forced entry.

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00:09:40,180 --> 00:09:42,220

I got a friend here, actually.

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00:09:42,220 --> 00:09:45,660

So this was someone that she let into the apartment

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00:09:45,660 --> 00:09:46,940

and that she had trusted.

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00:09:49,420 --> 00:09:52,420

Investigators questioned men with whom Megan Curle was known

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00:09:52,420 --> 00:09:54,740

to have had relationships.

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00:09:54,740 --> 00:09:57,700

However, each man was able to account for his whereabouts

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00:09:57,700 --> 00:09:59,860

on the night of the murder.

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00:09:59,860 --> 00:10:02,340

This sketch is based on Megan's friend's description

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00:10:02,340 --> 00:10:05,500

of the man she saw with Megan in her apartment.

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00:10:05,500 --> 00:10:09,260

He is a prime suspect in the murder of Megan Curle.

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00:10:09,260 --> 00:10:12,420

The man is white in his mid-20s to early 30s,

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00:10:12,420 --> 00:10:14,980

with blonde hair and a light mustache.

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00:10:14,980 --> 00:10:18,340

He wears gold rimmed glasses.

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00:10:18,340 --> 00:10:21,620

Investigators would also like to find this man.

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00:10:21,620 --> 00:10:24,540

He was seen with Megan by the bartender at the Electric Cowboy

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00:10:24,540 --> 00:10:26,860

Club on the night she was murdered.

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00:10:26,860 --> 00:10:29,060

He is described as having a dark complexion

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00:10:29,060 --> 00:10:32,620

and possibly being Hispanic.

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00:10:32,620 --> 00:10:35,460

This man is not viewed as a suspect.

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00:10:35,460 --> 00:10:37,500

Investigators simply want to question him

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00:10:37,500 --> 00:10:39,700

about what he may have seen on that night.

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00:10:39,700 --> 00:10:51,700

The year was 1970.

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00:10:51,700 --> 00:10:54,540

Margo Freshwater, a blonde, wide-eyed teenager

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00:10:54,540 --> 00:10:59,500

from Columbus, Ohio, found herself in an unlikely place.

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00:10:59,500 --> 00:11:02,220

Tennessee State Prison for Women.

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00:11:02,220 --> 00:11:04,500

The one-time babysitter had just been convicted

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00:11:04,500 --> 00:11:06,500

of first-degree murder.

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00:11:06,540 --> 00:11:09,020

But Margo would not remain incarcerated for long.

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00:11:15,340 --> 00:11:17,940

On October 4, Margo and another inmate

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00:11:17,940 --> 00:11:20,140

made an audacious escape.

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00:11:20,140 --> 00:11:22,940

While being escorted by a single unarmed guard,

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00:11:22,940 --> 00:11:25,460

Margo, under accomplice, made a run for the fence.

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00:11:25,460 --> 00:11:37,660

The guard had to make a decision for her to stay with the main group

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00:11:37,660 --> 00:11:38,340

or trace them.

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00:11:41,820 --> 00:11:44,260

All the guard could do was try to summon some help

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00:11:44,260 --> 00:11:45,660

and have somebody go after him.

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00:11:48,980 --> 00:11:51,540

Margo Freshwater has not been seen since.

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00:11:56,460 --> 00:12:00,140

Margo Freshwater has managed to elude capture for more than 30 years

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00:12:00,140 --> 00:12:01,660

longer than any other woman wanted

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00:12:01,660 --> 00:12:04,700

by the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation.

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00:12:04,700 --> 00:12:06,220

Police reason that she is blended back

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00:12:06,220 --> 00:12:08,540

into the fabric of everyday life,

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00:12:08,540 --> 00:12:11,500

but Margo Freshwater is a convicted killer.

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00:12:11,500 --> 00:12:14,660

With your help, authorities hoped to finally return her to jail.

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00:12:19,180 --> 00:12:21,540

How did Margo Freshwater, a young woman

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00:12:21,540 --> 00:12:24,860

with no criminal background, end up a murderer?

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00:12:24,860 --> 00:12:28,500

The story begins in the office of Glenn Nash, a hard-drinking lawyer

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00:12:28,500 --> 00:12:31,700

whose grip on sanity was beginning to slip.

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00:12:31,700 --> 00:12:34,780

Nash was being investigated by the Memphis Bar Association

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00:12:34,780 --> 00:12:36,740

for legal misconduct.

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00:12:36,740 --> 00:12:38,860

He had come to the deluded conclusion

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00:12:38,860 --> 00:12:43,140

that agents from the bar were conspiring against him.

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00:12:43,140 --> 00:12:45,660

Glenn Nash was an intelligent person,

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00:12:45,660 --> 00:12:49,340

but somewhere along the line, his drinking and mental

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00:12:49,340 --> 00:12:51,900

situation apparently deteriorated.

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00:12:51,900 --> 00:12:57,060

And he just took a left-hand turn.

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00:12:57,060 --> 00:12:58,060

Mr. Nash?

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00:12:58,060 --> 00:12:59,540

Glenn Nash.

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00:12:59,540 --> 00:13:01,620

Margo Freshwater.

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00:13:01,620 --> 00:13:03,340

Margo had come seeking Nash's help

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00:13:03,340 --> 00:13:06,180

in getting her boyfriend out of jail.

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00:13:06,180 --> 00:13:11,180

Who then took advantage of whom is open for debate?

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00:13:11,180 --> 00:13:14,500

Well, I'm here because of my boyfriend.

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00:13:14,500 --> 00:13:18,180

He's in the Memphis jail right now for armed robbery.

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00:13:18,180 --> 00:13:22,660

Margo was a young, attractive blonde, very good figure.

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00:13:22,660 --> 00:13:25,380

And Margo had the distinct ability to turn a man's head

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00:13:25,380 --> 00:13:27,460

when she would walk by.

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00:13:27,460 --> 00:13:31,260

And I just drove down from Ohio to help him out.

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00:13:31,260 --> 00:13:33,820

I believe Margo was seduced by Nash.

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00:13:33,820 --> 00:13:35,580

She didn't have any life experience,

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00:13:35,580 --> 00:13:38,980

especially with any kind of situation like this.

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00:13:38,980 --> 00:13:40,940

Margo had no money to pay Nash.

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00:13:40,940 --> 00:13:44,820

She couldn't even afford a place to stay while in town.

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00:13:44,820 --> 00:13:46,940

Although broke himself, Nash agreed

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00:13:46,980 --> 00:13:50,860

to take the case pro bono.

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00:13:50,860 --> 00:13:54,020

He also put Margo up at a local boarding house.

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00:13:54,020 --> 00:13:56,900

The married 41-year-old and the 18-year-old then

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00:13:56,900 --> 00:13:59,860

began a torrid affair.

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00:13:59,860 --> 00:14:01,580

But Nash was increasingly consumed

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00:14:01,580 --> 00:14:03,940

by paranoid delusions that agents from the Memphis

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00:14:03,940 --> 00:14:05,620

bar were after him.

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00:14:05,620 --> 00:14:09,140

One evening, he told Margo's landlady they were going bowling.

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00:14:09,140 --> 00:14:13,860

Instead, a three-stake crime spree ensued.

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00:14:13,860 --> 00:14:15,300

All the money in the register right now.

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00:14:15,300 --> 00:14:16,100

Right now.

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00:14:16,380 --> 00:14:20,940

I believe that then Nash had lost touch with reality.

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00:14:20,940 --> 00:14:21,860

Get the money.

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00:14:21,860 --> 00:14:22,780

Come on.

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00:14:22,780 --> 00:14:24,500

I really think he was fantasizing that he'd

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00:14:24,500 --> 00:14:25,860

go in and rob somebody.

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00:14:25,860 --> 00:14:27,580

And there wouldn't be any consequence to it.

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00:14:27,580 --> 00:14:28,380

Come on. Come around.

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00:14:28,380 --> 00:14:29,260

Come around. Let's go.

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00:14:29,260 --> 00:14:30,060

Come around.

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00:14:30,060 --> 00:14:30,580

You.

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00:14:30,580 --> 00:14:31,500

Keep an eye on him.

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00:14:31,500 --> 00:14:33,820

Nash ordered Margo to stay up front while he took

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00:14:33,820 --> 00:14:37,300

the cashier to the back room.

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00:14:37,300 --> 00:14:39,340

A customer came into the store and later

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00:14:39,340 --> 00:14:42,340

told investigators that Margo waited on him.

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00:14:42,340 --> 00:14:44,340

Meanwhile, Nash remained out of sight,

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00:14:44,380 --> 00:14:47,540

accusing the cashier of being an agent of the Memphis bar.

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00:14:52,420 --> 00:14:54,900

I seriously doubt Margo knew that any of this

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00:14:54,900 --> 00:14:58,580

was coming until it got started.

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00:14:58,580 --> 00:15:01,260

The cashier, Hillman Robbins, was tied up with rope

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00:15:01,260 --> 00:15:04,140

and shot five times in the head.

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00:15:04,140 --> 00:15:07,460

A 22 and 38 were both used in the murder.

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00:15:07,460 --> 00:15:09,380

He left behind a wife and two children.

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00:15:09,740 --> 00:15:12,180

Witnesses saw two people matching Margo and Nash's

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00:15:12,180 --> 00:15:15,380

description, fleeing the liquor store and hopping into a white

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00:15:15,380 --> 00:15:17,700

Ford Fairleigh.

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00:15:17,700 --> 00:15:20,660

12 days later, eyewitnesses described an almost identical

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00:15:20,660 --> 00:15:22,460

scene at a Florida convenience store.

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00:15:22,460 --> 00:15:22,860

Let's go.

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00:15:29,500 --> 00:15:33,060

A couple exited the building and sped off on a Ford Fairleigh.

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00:15:33,060 --> 00:15:36,180

Inside the store was a body of Esther Boye.

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00:15:36,180 --> 00:15:38,180

She had been in the store for a long time.

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00:15:38,980 --> 00:15:40,220

She had been shot in the neck.

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00:15:45,580 --> 00:15:47,460

Police had first did not connect the murders

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00:15:47,460 --> 00:15:52,420

until they found Nash's car abandoned on a highway shoulder.

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00:15:52,420 --> 00:15:54,580

In the trunk, they found rope and bullet casings

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00:15:54,580 --> 00:15:58,340

that match what was used in the Hillman Robbins murder.

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00:15:58,340 --> 00:16:02,580

The car was traced to Glenn Nash and an APB was issued.

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00:16:02,580 --> 00:16:05,340

But the couple's murderous rampage was not over.

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00:16:08,540 --> 00:16:11,420

A cab driver, C.C. Sorette, was shot to death

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00:16:11,420 --> 00:16:15,020

shortly after picking up Glenn and Margo.

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00:16:15,020 --> 00:16:18,020

The police staked out all the nearby bus stations.

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00:16:18,020 --> 00:16:20,260

Their efforts soon paid off.

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00:16:20,260 --> 00:16:24,060

When Nash and Margo freshwater were under arrest for poison.

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00:16:24,060 --> 00:16:26,500

When they arrested them, they were transported

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00:16:26,500 --> 00:16:30,060

to Hernando, Mississippi, to the Dishonored County Jail,

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00:16:30,060 --> 00:16:32,140

where they were charged in connection

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00:16:32,140 --> 00:16:33,980

with C.C. Sorette's murder.

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00:16:34,180 --> 00:16:40,540

Glenn Nash was declared insane, ruled incompetent to stand trial,

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00:16:40,540 --> 00:16:42,540

and incarcerated at a mental hospital.

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00:16:45,260 --> 00:16:48,380

Margo stood trial for the murder of C.C. Sorette.

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00:16:48,380 --> 00:16:50,860

She testified that she was held prisoner by Nash

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00:16:50,860 --> 00:16:54,300

and forced to participate in the crimes under threat of death.

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00:16:54,300 --> 00:16:57,140

Investigators disagree over Margo's culpability

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00:16:57,140 --> 00:16:58,140

in the crime spree.

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00:16:58,140 --> 00:16:59,380

Don't take this place.

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00:16:59,380 --> 00:17:00,700

I don't know if I can do this again.

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00:17:00,700 --> 00:17:03,260

You will do this.

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00:17:03,260 --> 00:17:05,140

Margo freshwater, in my opinion, was

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00:17:05,140 --> 00:17:07,620

in a psychological condition where she wouldn't

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00:17:07,620 --> 00:17:11,660

attempt to escape from Nash, fearing being killed.

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00:17:11,660 --> 00:17:15,460

I don't think that freshwater was a victim in any way.

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00:17:15,460 --> 00:17:17,540

She had opportunity after opportunity

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00:17:17,540 --> 00:17:20,860

to leave, not commit these crimes.

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00:17:20,860 --> 00:17:23,660

But I think she enjoyed it.

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00:17:23,660 --> 00:17:25,980

The jury could not decide either and failed

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00:17:25,980 --> 00:17:28,220

to reach a verdict twice.

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00:17:28,220 --> 00:17:30,020

Three years later, Margo was tried

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00:17:30,020 --> 00:17:32,900

for the murder of the first victim, Hillman Robbins.

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00:17:32,940 --> 00:17:36,180

She was found guilty and sentenced to 99 years in state

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00:17:36,180 --> 00:17:37,500

prison.

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00:17:37,500 --> 00:17:41,540

18 months later, Margo and another inmate, Faye Fairchild,

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00:17:41,540 --> 00:17:47,300

scaled a barbed wire fence, hitched a ride, and disappeared.

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00:17:47,300 --> 00:17:49,940

Once Faye and Margo escaped, they went from there

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00:17:49,940 --> 00:17:53,060

to Baltimore, Maryland.

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00:17:53,060 --> 00:17:58,180

Faye Fairchild was arrested in Chicago sometime later.

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00:17:58,180 --> 00:18:00,260

The last time Margo freshwater was seen

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00:18:00,260 --> 00:18:03,020

was on a street corner in Baltimore, Maryland,

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00:18:03,020 --> 00:18:09,220

where she said her goodbyes to Faye and Faye's niece and left.

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00:18:09,220 --> 00:18:11,660

After that, Margo freshwater seems

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00:18:11,660 --> 00:18:15,540

to have disappeared off the face of the earth.

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00:18:15,540 --> 00:18:19,380

I would say that she has changed her life around.

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00:18:19,380 --> 00:18:23,940

She is probably living as a mother, or maybe even

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00:18:23,940 --> 00:18:27,180

a grandmother at this time.

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00:18:27,180 --> 00:18:30,020

Margo committed a crime, and she needs

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00:18:30,020 --> 00:18:33,700

to spend her time in prison and serve that sentence.

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00:18:39,820 --> 00:18:40,820

Update.

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00:18:40,820 --> 00:18:43,220

Margo freshwater has been caught.

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00:18:43,220 --> 00:18:45,060

Police found her in Columbus, Ohio,

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00:18:45,060 --> 00:18:48,180

living under the alias Tanya MacCotter, a married mother

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00:18:48,180 --> 00:18:49,500

of three.

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00:18:49,500 --> 00:18:52,060

She was taken into custody outside an athletic club

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00:18:52,060 --> 00:18:55,420

by agents for the Ohio Bureau of Investigation.

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00:18:55,420 --> 00:18:58,620

At the time, freshwater was with her husband, youngest son

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00:18:58,620 --> 00:19:00,820

and grandchild, none of whom were

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00:19:00,820 --> 00:19:04,380

aware of her criminal past.

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00:19:04,380 --> 00:19:09,580

She said nothing and was surprisingly emotionless.

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00:19:09,580 --> 00:19:13,540

She then wanted to say goodbye to her son and husband,

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00:19:13,540 --> 00:19:16,780

and we allowed her to do that.

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00:19:16,780 --> 00:19:20,460

She first gave her son a hug and was clearly whispering

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00:19:20,460 --> 00:19:26,100

in his ear, and he started sobbing quite noticeably.

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00:19:26,140 --> 00:19:29,460

Freshwater was re-incarcerated at the same Tennessee prison

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00:19:29,460 --> 00:19:31,580

she escaped from 32 years earlier.

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00:19:47,700 --> 00:19:50,300

Washington Snake River.

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00:19:50,300 --> 00:19:51,660

How much longer before we get in?

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00:19:51,660 --> 00:19:52,060

I don't know.

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00:19:52,060 --> 00:19:52,820

Just a few minutes.

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00:19:52,820 --> 00:19:54,700

Just got to go around here and open.

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00:19:54,700 --> 00:19:56,340

After a late summer fishing trip,

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00:19:56,340 --> 00:20:01,540

Strider starfire and another man headed for home.

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00:20:01,540 --> 00:20:04,460

As dusk approached, concerns were raised about getting back

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00:20:04,460 --> 00:20:07,260

before dark.

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00:20:07,260 --> 00:20:09,180

As the boat sped across the water,

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00:20:09,180 --> 00:20:13,140

Strider reached for a beer from a nice chest.

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00:20:13,140 --> 00:20:15,460

The boat's driver heard his dog yell,

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00:20:15,460 --> 00:20:17,260

and when he looked around, Strider was gone.

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

Never to be seen again.

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00:20:25,700 --> 00:20:26,200

Strider!

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00:20:30,900 --> 00:20:33,620

The apparent accidental drowning of Strider starfire

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00:20:33,620 --> 00:20:36,340

has been in question ever since.

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00:20:36,340 --> 00:20:39,620

Investigators quickly learned the starfire had a murky past

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00:20:39,620 --> 00:20:42,500

and may have had reason to disappear.

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00:20:42,500 --> 00:20:45,380

10 days after he supposedly slipped and fell overboard,

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00:20:45,380 --> 00:20:49,620

Strider starfire was due to stand trial in Roseburg, Oregon.

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00:20:49,620 --> 00:20:51,540

One thing was certain.

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00:20:51,540 --> 00:20:53,260

This charming and charismatic man

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00:20:53,260 --> 00:20:54,860

was not who he appeared to be.

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00:20:57,900 --> 00:21:02,460

Strider starfire first surfaced in Oregon in the mid 1980s.

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00:21:02,460 --> 00:21:06,380

Within weeks, the enigmatic starfire had met a local woman.

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00:21:06,380 --> 00:21:08,380

They fell in love and were soon married.

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00:21:11,420 --> 00:21:14,980

By the early 1990s, the starfires had a son and daughter

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00:21:14,980 --> 00:21:17,260

and had settled into a seemingly idyllic life

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00:21:17,260 --> 00:21:19,380

in Roseburg, Oregon.

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00:21:19,380 --> 00:21:21,660

The teenage daughter of a dear family friend

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00:21:21,660 --> 00:21:23,380

was a frequent guest to the starfires.

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00:21:28,420 --> 00:21:31,300

The girl visited so often that she became a second daughter

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00:21:31,300 --> 00:21:37,060

to Strider and his wife and a beloved sister to their kids.

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00:21:37,060 --> 00:21:39,180

Whoever spent any time with Strider

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00:21:39,180 --> 00:21:40,860

eventually would fall under the spell

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00:21:40,860 --> 00:21:42,700

of his incredible charisma.

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00:21:42,700 --> 00:21:44,740

So it's about 1,200 hours, you know?

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00:21:44,740 --> 00:21:47,100

Me and Tim were in this foxhole, all right?

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00:21:47,100 --> 00:21:47,860

And we're pinned down.

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00:21:47,860 --> 00:21:48,500

We can't get up.

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00:21:48,500 --> 00:21:49,380

And we were trying to get out.

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00:21:49,420 --> 00:21:52,340

He often told romantic tales revolving around his supposed

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00:21:52,340 --> 00:21:55,500

exploits serving with special forces in Vietnam,

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00:21:55,500 --> 00:21:59,860

spying for the CIA, or fighting alongside the Irish Republican

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00:21:59,860 --> 00:22:00,860

army.

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00:22:00,860 --> 00:22:02,820

And I crawled on my belly dragging him,

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00:22:02,820 --> 00:22:04,140

dragging him to get to the medics.

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00:22:04,140 --> 00:22:09,900

When he told us about being this savior, this crusader,

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00:22:09,900 --> 00:22:14,380

to help the little man to pull the poor guy up by his boots

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00:22:14,380 --> 00:22:18,340

and give the underdog his day, you

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00:22:18,380 --> 00:22:19,940

tended to believe him.

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00:22:19,940 --> 00:22:22,620

He wove his stories very well.

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00:22:22,620 --> 00:22:26,260

So the reason why we're called the clan of Starfire is because

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00:22:26,260 --> 00:22:27,180

he was a great leader.

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00:22:27,180 --> 00:22:28,700

But there was one particular story even more

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00:22:28,700 --> 00:22:30,100

fantastic than the others.

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00:22:30,100 --> 00:22:33,500

I'm going to be the prince of the house of Ellen Star.

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00:22:33,500 --> 00:22:34,340

No, no, no.

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00:22:34,340 --> 00:22:36,980

Strider Starfire claimed he was the last surviving

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00:22:36,980 --> 00:22:41,020

member of a Scottish clan called the House of Ellen Star.

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00:22:41,020 --> 00:22:42,580

And he apparently had proof.

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00:22:42,580 --> 00:22:44,500

You should.

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00:22:44,500 --> 00:22:46,420

Here we have the dog.

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00:22:46,420 --> 00:22:48,180

This is real?

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00:22:48,220 --> 00:22:51,660

Strider possessed a letter on a boss parchment stationary

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00:22:51,660 --> 00:22:54,300

proclaiming him the sole heir to the clan's fortune.

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00:22:54,300 --> 00:22:56,340

It's a big trap down at the toe of this.

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00:22:56,340 --> 00:22:57,540

Is the family crass?

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00:22:57,540 --> 00:22:59,740

As a young friend grew up, she continued

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00:22:59,740 --> 00:23:02,220

to spend time with the Starfires.

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00:23:02,220 --> 00:23:07,220

And Strider always made himself available to her.

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00:23:07,220 --> 00:23:13,420

He was a father figure when she had no father figure.

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00:23:13,420 --> 00:23:18,860

She had no qualms of believing and feeling safe with him

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00:23:18,860 --> 00:23:20,340

because he'd always been safe.

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00:23:20,340 --> 00:23:21,660

So they need to.

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00:23:21,660 --> 00:23:23,020

I got to tell you.

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00:23:23,020 --> 00:23:25,860

But according to the then 14-year-old girl,

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00:23:25,860 --> 00:23:27,660

those feelings of trust and security

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00:23:27,660 --> 00:23:32,100

were stolen from her one night in the Starfire home.

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00:23:32,100 --> 00:23:34,900

Out of the blue, he started to profess his love to me

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00:23:34,900 --> 00:23:37,420

and told me he'd been in love with me for years.

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00:23:38,420 --> 00:23:39,420

It's.

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00:23:39,420 --> 00:23:45,900

That was a really terrifying moment.

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00:23:45,900 --> 00:23:48,900

After making his advance, Strider's Starfire,

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00:23:48,900 --> 00:23:51,860

a married father of two, allegedly seduced

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00:23:51,860 --> 00:23:55,700

and then had sexual relations with the minor.

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00:23:55,700 --> 00:23:58,660

For more than a year, a traumatized 14-year-old

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00:23:58,660 --> 00:24:01,620

would keep secret what had allegedly happened that night.

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00:24:04,100 --> 00:24:06,860

But Strider's Starfires carefully crafted persona

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00:24:06,900 --> 00:24:08,700

had already begun to crumble.

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00:24:08,700 --> 00:24:10,860

According to his wife, her suspicions

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00:24:10,860 --> 00:24:12,500

that he was being unfaithful to her

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00:24:12,500 --> 00:24:15,780

were confirmed the day he brought home an unexpected guest,

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00:24:15,780 --> 00:24:18,140

his new internet business partner.

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00:24:18,140 --> 00:24:20,140

I had been getting a little bit of rumor

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00:24:20,140 --> 00:24:23,340

that there was more than just business going on between them.

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00:24:23,340 --> 00:24:27,620

And when they came home, it was exceedingly obvious

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00:24:27,620 --> 00:24:28,700

that they were being intimate.

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00:24:28,700 --> 00:24:31,180

What the hell is that?

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00:24:31,180 --> 00:24:32,460

Are you out of your mind?

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00:24:32,460 --> 00:24:34,340

Strider apparently stunned his wife

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00:24:34,340 --> 00:24:36,460

by proposing that she welcome this woman

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00:24:36,460 --> 00:24:39,100

into their home as his second wife.

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00:24:39,100 --> 00:24:40,740

This was the last straw.

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00:24:40,740 --> 00:24:42,860

And within weeks, she filed for divorce.

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00:24:42,860 --> 00:24:44,260

Take her with you.

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00:24:44,260 --> 00:24:46,820

But it was not until after the divorce was final

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00:24:46,820 --> 00:24:49,140

that Strider's now former wife would apparently

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00:24:49,140 --> 00:24:51,660

learn the true depth of his lies and deceit.

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00:24:54,420 --> 00:24:59,100

After Strider did that to me, my life really

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00:24:59,100 --> 00:25:01,380

spiraled out of control.

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00:25:01,380 --> 00:25:05,180

I couldn't make any friends at school, so I quit going.

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00:25:05,180 --> 00:25:07,580

And I did a lot of drugs.

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00:25:07,580 --> 00:25:12,900

And I decided that I couldn't deal with it anymore.

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00:25:12,900 --> 00:25:16,100

She wrote a note saying she was running away with her boyfriend.

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00:25:16,100 --> 00:25:18,260

And she finally revealed the dark secret

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00:25:18,260 --> 00:25:19,580

she said she'd been keeping.

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00:25:22,580 --> 00:25:23,340

Hello?

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00:25:23,340 --> 00:25:26,340

Strider's ex-wife then received a disturbing call

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00:25:26,340 --> 00:25:28,700

from the teenage girl's stepfather.

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00:25:28,700 --> 00:25:31,740

He said she left a note.

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00:25:31,780 --> 00:25:36,340

And in the note, she states that Strider molested her.

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00:25:36,340 --> 00:25:37,060

No, I just.

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00:25:37,060 --> 00:25:42,900

And I was torn between disbelief and belief.

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00:25:42,900 --> 00:25:46,500

The 15-year-old girl returned home safely the following day.

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00:25:46,500 --> 00:25:48,980

But Strider's former wife was sickened by what

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00:25:48,980 --> 00:25:51,100

he had allegedly done.

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00:25:51,100 --> 00:25:54,980

I was just overwhelmed with everything that had happened.

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00:25:54,980 --> 00:25:58,420

I'd just been through a whole time during the divorce

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00:25:58,420 --> 00:26:00,860

of finding out that he wasn't who he said he was,

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00:26:00,860 --> 00:26:05,540

that the last 11 years really had nothing to do with reality.

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00:26:05,540 --> 00:26:08,660

Strider's star fire was formally indicted on felony rape

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00:26:08,660 --> 00:26:10,620

and sexual assault charges.

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00:26:10,620 --> 00:26:12,780

Authorities would learn from this 15-year-old

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00:26:12,780 --> 00:26:14,420

that there may have been more secrets

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00:26:14,420 --> 00:26:18,260

to uncover in the star fire home.

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00:26:18,260 --> 00:26:22,660

When going over her case, she brought up another girl's name

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00:26:22,660 --> 00:26:25,780

that she was aware was living there at the house

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00:26:25,780 --> 00:26:28,540

during that time she was.

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00:26:28,540 --> 00:26:34,420

And that's when victim number two was brought up in this.

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00:26:34,420 --> 00:26:37,740

Years earlier, victim number two as she became known

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00:26:37,740 --> 00:26:39,940

had become close to the star fire family

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00:26:39,940 --> 00:26:42,380

and often babysat their children.

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00:26:42,380 --> 00:26:44,660

This alleged victim was just a ninth grader

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00:26:44,660 --> 00:26:48,100

at the time she was first seduced by Strider's star fire.

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00:26:48,100 --> 00:26:51,740

I'm going to go back and I'm going to regain my kingdom.

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00:26:51,740 --> 00:26:53,300

Really?

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00:26:53,300 --> 00:26:55,540

She told authorities he had charmed her

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00:26:55,540 --> 00:26:58,460

with fantastic tales of his Scottish inheritance

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00:26:58,500 --> 00:27:01,380

and promises to make her his princess.

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00:27:01,380 --> 00:27:03,420

Anything you want, because you're the princess.

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00:27:03,420 --> 00:27:05,860

You get anything in the entire kingdom.

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00:27:05,860 --> 00:27:07,380

Even horses?

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00:27:07,380 --> 00:27:08,740

Yeah.

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00:27:08,740 --> 00:27:12,500

It's like he made the fairy tale.

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00:27:12,500 --> 00:27:15,780

And Strider really created a fantasy world for a lot of people.

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00:27:15,780 --> 00:27:19,140

And for me, it was the fantasy that was sort of where

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00:27:19,140 --> 00:27:22,940

I really wanted to be in life, not where I was.

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00:27:22,940 --> 00:27:25,540

It obviously wasn't just an isolated incident.

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00:27:25,540 --> 00:27:29,340

I had to come forward not only to give validity

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00:27:29,340 --> 00:27:34,300

to the other girl's claims, but also just to try and prevent

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00:27:34,300 --> 00:27:37,780

this from happening to somebody else.

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00:27:37,780 --> 00:27:40,740

These were classic cases of Strider.

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00:27:40,740 --> 00:27:42,420

He's in his 40s.

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00:27:42,420 --> 00:27:44,220

Obviously, a mature adult.

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00:27:44,220 --> 00:27:46,300

Been around quite a while.

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00:27:46,300 --> 00:27:47,460

These young girls have him.

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00:27:47,460 --> 00:27:49,660

He's learned to find these young girls that

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00:27:49,660 --> 00:27:53,380

are in an emotional time in their life.

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00:27:53,420 --> 00:27:57,740

And he zeroed right in on them and was

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00:27:57,740 --> 00:28:02,260

able to manipulate them and do just what he's obviously

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00:28:02,260 --> 00:28:04,300

probably done before.

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00:28:04,300 --> 00:28:06,780

Strider's starfire was arrested and released

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00:28:06,780 --> 00:28:11,060

on his own recognizance while awaiting trial.

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00:28:11,060 --> 00:28:14,460

Then just 10 days before that trial was due to begin,

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00:28:14,460 --> 00:28:16,180

starfire vanished.

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00:28:16,180 --> 00:28:17,900

We have a lot of people come up missing or drowned

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00:28:17,900 --> 00:28:19,020

in the Snake River.

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00:28:19,020 --> 00:28:22,740

But in my 13 years experience, I've never had one like this.

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00:28:22,740 --> 00:28:24,540

What time did you put the phone in the water?

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00:28:24,540 --> 00:28:29,020

The suspicions of investigators were quickly around.

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00:28:29,020 --> 00:28:32,620

Did Strider's starfire stage his own disappearance?

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00:28:32,620 --> 00:28:35,540

Police found it strange that the boat was dry

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00:28:35,540 --> 00:28:37,860

and didn't appear to have been used that day.

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00:28:37,860 --> 00:28:39,420

And all the fishing gear on board

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00:28:39,420 --> 00:28:41,980

was clean and neatly stowed away.

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00:28:41,980 --> 00:28:44,900

Inside Starfire's pickup truck, investigators

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00:28:44,900 --> 00:28:47,220

were surprised to find a fishing license in the name

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00:28:47,220 --> 00:28:49,620

of Daniel Chaff, which was determined to be

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00:28:49,620 --> 00:28:51,780

Starfire's legal name.

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00:28:51,780 --> 00:28:54,980

They learned Strider's starfire was only an alias, one of two

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00:28:54,980 --> 00:28:56,460

he was known to use.

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00:28:56,460 --> 00:28:58,620

Some knew him by the name of Curtis Chacoby.

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00:29:01,620 --> 00:29:04,420

Further investigation determined the Strider's starfire

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00:29:04,420 --> 00:29:06,540

had never served in Vietnam, worked

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00:29:06,540 --> 00:29:08,700

with a central intelligence agency,

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00:29:08,700 --> 00:29:12,340

or fought with the IRA.

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00:29:12,340 --> 00:29:16,260

I'm sure Mr. Starfire is alive and well at this point.

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00:29:16,260 --> 00:29:19,980

I don't believe Mr. Starfire was ever on that boat.

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00:29:19,980 --> 00:29:22,380

I don't believe he was ever on that river.

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00:29:22,380 --> 00:29:24,540

I believe he's hoping that at some point,

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00:29:24,540 --> 00:29:26,380

hopefully all this will just go away

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00:29:26,380 --> 00:29:28,980

and he can lead on with a happy life.

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00:29:32,700 --> 00:29:36,100

Strider's starfire is wanted on 13 felony charges

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00:29:36,100 --> 00:29:39,660

related to the rape and sexual abuse of minors.

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00:29:39,660 --> 00:29:42,300

Authorities fear he may be committing similar crimes.

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00:29:50,140 --> 00:29:53,900

[" inside a void body for friendship"]

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00:30:12,700 --> 00:30:15,880

Last summer Bill Rundle and Tracy Kendley

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00:30:15,880 --> 00:30:18,860

set out for a leisurely drive along the remote country

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00:30:18,860 --> 00:30:21,260

lanes of the Nebraska farmland.

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00:30:21,260 --> 00:30:24,100

The pair had vague plans to meet Tracy's boyfriend

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00:30:24,100 --> 00:30:25,000

later that evening.

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00:30:28,000 --> 00:30:30,700

Bill and Tracy had met six months earlier,

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00:30:30,700 --> 00:30:34,440

and by all accounts, their relationship was platonic.

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00:30:34,440 --> 00:30:37,980

Tracy, a health care specialist who worked with the elderly,

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00:30:37,980 --> 00:30:41,860

and Bill, a forklift operator, got together at around 4

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00:30:41,860 --> 00:30:44,920

30 PM on August 17.

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00:30:44,920 --> 00:30:47,560

They drove off into the afternoon sun

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00:30:47,700 --> 00:30:49,260

and vanished into thin air.

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00:30:52,060 --> 00:30:53,100

Hey, Bill!

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00:30:53,100 --> 00:30:58,500

The following day, Bill Rundle failed to show up for work.

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00:30:58,500 --> 00:31:00,540

I was concerned he would have not just not

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00:31:00,540 --> 00:31:01,940

showed up for work.

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00:31:01,940 --> 00:31:02,840

Absolutely not.

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00:31:02,840 --> 00:31:05,580

He would have called one way or the other.

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00:31:05,580 --> 00:31:06,940

He would have let somebody know that he

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00:31:06,940 --> 00:31:09,520

wasn't going to be there.

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00:31:09,520 --> 00:31:12,620

Tracy Kenley lived with her boyfriend of seven years, Doug

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00:31:12,620 --> 00:31:13,820

Wolf.

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00:31:13,820 --> 00:31:16,720

She was also a no show at her job.

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00:31:16,740 --> 00:31:17,620

Wake up, Doug.

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00:31:17,620 --> 00:31:18,520

We're looking for Tracy.

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00:31:18,520 --> 00:31:19,680

Have you seen her?

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00:31:19,680 --> 00:31:21,320

I knew she was pretty serious because Tracy,

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00:31:21,320 --> 00:31:22,620

if she wasn't going to go to work,

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00:31:22,620 --> 00:31:25,060

the first thing she'd do would be to call in to work

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00:31:25,060 --> 00:31:27,320

and let him know that she was sick or whatever.

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00:31:27,320 --> 00:31:30,000

The first thing I did was just hop up, get my clothes on,

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00:31:30,000 --> 00:31:31,700

head out the door, and start looking.

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00:31:31,700 --> 00:31:33,100

I didn't know what to think.

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00:31:33,100 --> 00:31:36,660

I didn't know what to think at all.

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00:31:36,660 --> 00:31:38,400

It's not something that's supposed to happen

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00:31:38,400 --> 00:31:40,840

in Hastings, Nebraska.

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00:31:40,840 --> 00:31:42,980

Residents of the tight-knit rural community

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00:31:42,980 --> 00:31:45,040

all knew Bill Rundle and Tracy Kenley

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00:31:45,060 --> 00:31:49,340

and cannot imagine how the two could have simply disappeared.

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00:31:49,340 --> 00:31:51,840

Nearly a year has passed, and the leads in the case

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00:31:51,840 --> 00:31:56,340

are nonexistent, except for one solitary clue.

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00:31:56,340 --> 00:31:59,880

Bill Rundle's hat mysteriously surfaced one week after he

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00:31:59,880 --> 00:32:03,980

and Tracy were last seen in an area that had already

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00:32:03,980 --> 00:32:05,220

been thoroughly searched.

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00:32:10,800 --> 00:32:12,400

On the day Bill and Tracy vanished,

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00:32:12,400 --> 00:32:14,740

there was little to foreshadow the bizarre events

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00:32:14,760 --> 00:32:18,160

about to unfold.

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00:32:18,160 --> 00:32:20,040

That afternoon, the two paid a visit

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00:32:20,040 --> 00:32:22,700

to Tracy's parents' house, 38 miles

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00:32:22,700 --> 00:32:24,940

southeast of Hastings, Nebraska.

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00:32:24,940 --> 00:32:26,440

Hey, how are you guys?

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00:32:26,440 --> 00:32:27,340

Hi, Mom.

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00:32:27,340 --> 00:32:28,240

Hi, Mom.

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00:32:28,240 --> 00:32:29,580

So this is Bill.

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00:32:29,580 --> 00:32:30,340

Hi, Bill.

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00:32:30,340 --> 00:32:31,340

Hi, good to meet you.

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00:32:31,340 --> 00:32:32,640

This is my mom, Sharon.

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00:32:32,640 --> 00:32:34,020

We had never met Bill before this,

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00:32:34,020 --> 00:32:37,520

so we don't know anything about him.

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00:32:37,520 --> 00:32:39,820

And but we, you know, it's like her dad said,

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00:32:39,820 --> 00:32:42,220

any friend of Tracy's is a friend of ours.

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00:32:42,220 --> 00:32:43,660

So what do you do, Bill?

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00:32:43,720 --> 00:32:46,220

We never talked about where they were going when they left

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00:32:46,220 --> 00:32:48,260

or what they were going to do.

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00:32:48,260 --> 00:32:50,260

I guess we felt that she'd make it home safe.

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00:32:54,360 --> 00:32:56,960

But Tracy Kenney didn't go home.

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00:32:56,960 --> 00:33:00,640

Instead, she called her boyfriend Doug at 11 PM

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00:33:00,640 --> 00:33:03,140

and made tentative plans to meet him at a local bar

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00:33:03,140 --> 00:33:04,880

at 12 30 AM.

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00:33:04,880 --> 00:33:07,140

I'm just leaving my parents' house with Bill.

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00:33:07,140 --> 00:33:10,780

What are you going to do after work?

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00:33:10,840 --> 00:33:13,280

Tracy and Bill were never heard from again.

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00:33:18,080 --> 00:33:21,880

By examining cell phone records and transmission signals,

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00:33:21,880 --> 00:33:24,520

police are able to pinpoint Tracy's location

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00:33:24,520 --> 00:33:27,600

at the time of the call, a junction in the road

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00:33:27,600 --> 00:33:29,400

16 miles east of Hastings.

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00:33:32,460 --> 00:33:34,700

The Clay and Adams County Sheriff's Department

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00:33:34,700 --> 00:33:36,700

organizes a search of that intersection

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00:33:36,700 --> 00:33:38,140

in the surrounding area.

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00:33:38,200 --> 00:33:41,000

Authorities worried that Bill may have crashed his car

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00:33:41,000 --> 00:33:43,640

into the towering cornfields at Blanket, the region.

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00:33:49,480 --> 00:33:53,380

A 30 square mile area was painstakingly gone over,

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00:33:53,380 --> 00:33:58,880

but no sign of Bill, Tracy, or the Jeep turned up.

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00:33:58,880 --> 00:34:00,760

A lot of dedicated individuals came out

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00:34:00,760 --> 00:34:04,760

and searched for two solid days.

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00:34:04,760 --> 00:34:06,760

Some areas were searched two and three times.

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00:34:08,600 --> 00:34:10,800

I believe in a 30 mile circumference,

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00:34:10,800 --> 00:34:14,000

we've done a very thorough job of searching.

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00:34:14,000 --> 00:34:19,360

Not finding anything with as many searches as we've had,

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00:34:19,360 --> 00:34:22,520

you know, you would think you'd find something.

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00:34:22,520 --> 00:34:25,280

There's just nothing.

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00:34:25,280 --> 00:34:25,680

Nothing.

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00:34:29,440 --> 00:34:31,880

Police began to consider where the Bill and Tracy

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00:34:31,880 --> 00:34:32,960

left voluntarily.

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00:34:33,460 --> 00:34:38,460

At the time that he disappeared, Bill was really lonely.

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00:34:38,460 --> 00:34:42,020

From what I know of Tracy, she was a really gentle, sweet

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00:34:42,020 --> 00:34:43,060

person.

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00:34:43,060 --> 00:34:45,260

And I think that Bill was probably really attracted

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00:34:45,260 --> 00:34:47,100

to that as a friend.

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00:34:47,100 --> 00:34:49,700

And at that point, he did need a friend.

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00:34:49,700 --> 00:34:55,340

And I think maybe they needed each other.

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00:34:55,340 --> 00:34:58,340

Could Bill and Tracy have been having an affair?

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00:34:58,340 --> 00:35:00,580

Kept completely secret from both their friends

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00:35:01,080 --> 00:35:03,200

and Tracy's longtime boyfriend.

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00:35:03,200 --> 00:35:05,440

And could they have decided to run away together

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00:35:05,440 --> 00:35:08,280

to start a new life away from the small town

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00:35:08,280 --> 00:35:11,680

scrutiny of Hastings?

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00:35:11,680 --> 00:35:14,080

Tracy's a very responsible person.

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00:35:14,080 --> 00:35:15,680

There was no way that she would run away

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00:35:15,680 --> 00:35:18,080

from her responsibilities.

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00:35:18,080 --> 00:35:19,880

She was very close to her parents.

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00:35:19,880 --> 00:35:21,320

She was close to me.

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00:35:21,320 --> 00:35:22,720

I mean, if she didn't want to call me,

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00:35:22,720 --> 00:35:25,320

if she ran off or something, the first people

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00:35:25,320 --> 00:35:26,720

she would call would be her parents.

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00:35:26,720 --> 00:35:27,760

They didn't run away.

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00:35:27,760 --> 00:35:28,760

They didn't run away.

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00:35:29,740 --> 00:35:34,180

I feel that in my heart, because neither one of them

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00:35:34,180 --> 00:35:35,620

took their toothbrush, neither one

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00:35:35,620 --> 00:35:38,580

took their any change of clothing.

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00:35:38,580 --> 00:35:42,420

There hasn't been no evidence as far as their credit cards,

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00:35:42,420 --> 00:35:45,180

ATMs, phones have ever been powered up from the day

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00:35:45,180 --> 00:35:46,260

they disappeared.

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00:35:46,260 --> 00:35:48,340

No evidence has led us in that direction

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00:35:48,340 --> 00:35:49,580

that they're still out there.

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00:35:52,980 --> 00:35:56,420

Then one full week after Bill and Tracy went missing,

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00:35:56,440 --> 00:35:59,920

a baffling piece of evidence suddenly appeared.

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00:35:59,920 --> 00:36:01,760

It was found at the same intersection

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00:36:01,760 --> 00:36:05,480

where Tracy made the final phone call to her boyfriend,

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00:36:05,480 --> 00:36:10,360

an area that had already been searched several times.

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00:36:10,360 --> 00:36:13,280

We had a farmer come to us who had recovered a hat,

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00:36:13,280 --> 00:36:16,520

and the hat was sent into the lab just in case.

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00:36:16,520 --> 00:36:20,600

Through lab analysis, it was found that the hat was Bill

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00:36:20,600 --> 00:36:21,160

Rundles.

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00:36:22,140 --> 00:36:26,060

So where about was it now?

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00:36:26,060 --> 00:36:27,820

That was laying right down here.

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00:36:27,820 --> 00:36:31,460

We do not believe that Bill was wearing the hat when Bill

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00:36:31,460 --> 00:36:33,460

and Tracy disappeared.

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00:36:33,460 --> 00:36:34,860

Is there anything else around it?

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00:36:34,860 --> 00:36:35,500

Did you notice?

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00:36:35,500 --> 00:36:37,660

No, just the hat laying there.

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00:36:37,660 --> 00:36:39,780

There had been three inches of rain

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00:36:39,780 --> 00:36:42,940

in two nights after they had disappeared,

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00:36:42,940 --> 00:36:46,260

and the hat was clean and did not appear to be out

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00:36:46,260 --> 00:36:47,420

in the weather.

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00:36:47,440 --> 00:36:52,480

Plus, most of our search teams went directly by that area,

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00:36:52,480 --> 00:36:55,800

and we believe our search teams would have seen it

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00:36:55,800 --> 00:36:56,800

if it would have been there.

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00:36:59,960 --> 00:37:03,200

Police are now convinced that the hat was planted,

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00:37:03,200 --> 00:37:05,360

but by whom and why?

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00:37:07,760 --> 00:37:09,680

Bill and Tracy knew that they didn't

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00:37:09,680 --> 00:37:13,760

have to meet Doug for at least an hour.

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00:37:13,760 --> 00:37:15,920

It would have been very normal for Bill

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00:37:15,940 --> 00:37:22,140

to find a place to pull over and maybe

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00:37:22,140 --> 00:37:24,780

pulled into a shaded area, possibly,

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00:37:24,780 --> 00:37:30,580

and just opened up a few beers and talked.

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00:37:30,580 --> 00:37:33,540

Is it possible that Bill and Tracy inadvertently

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00:37:33,540 --> 00:37:37,860

put themselves in the path of a roaming killer?

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00:37:37,860 --> 00:37:40,580

Nebraska is an area where you travel through to get

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00:37:40,580 --> 00:37:42,620

from the east or the west.

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00:37:42,640 --> 00:37:46,800

There's always a possibility of somebody coming

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00:37:46,800 --> 00:37:50,440

through the area that may have been a more severe criminal

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00:37:50,440 --> 00:37:53,400

than we're normally used to.

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00:37:53,400 --> 00:37:56,280

But who could have murdered two young, healthy people

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00:37:56,280 --> 00:37:58,760

disposed of their bodies in car without leaving

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00:37:58,760 --> 00:38:01,200

any trace of a crime?

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00:38:01,200 --> 00:38:04,840

And why would a killer then plant Bill's hat one week later?

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00:38:07,720 --> 00:38:09,760

Friends and relatives cleaned of the hope

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00:38:09,780 --> 00:38:12,620

that Bill and Tracy are out there somewhere

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00:38:12,620 --> 00:38:16,060

and will somehow turn up unharmed.

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00:38:16,060 --> 00:38:20,940

Until that day, the search continues.

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00:38:20,940 --> 00:38:23,580

I'll never stop looking.

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00:38:23,580 --> 00:38:24,940

We need some kind of clue.

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00:38:24,940 --> 00:38:26,660

We have no clue.

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00:38:26,660 --> 00:38:27,700

There has been nothing.

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00:38:27,700 --> 00:38:29,580

It's just like they just disappeared.

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00:38:39,760 --> 00:39:05,540

They are snapshots from another place in another time,

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00:39:05,540 --> 00:39:09,620

a proud young father cradles his newborn daughter.

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00:39:09,640 --> 00:39:13,280

Virginia Burns always thought there were photos of her.

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00:39:13,280 --> 00:39:17,120

After Virginia's father died, her mother revealed the truth.

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00:39:17,120 --> 00:39:19,280

The little girl in the pictures was in fact

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00:39:19,280 --> 00:39:21,440

Virginia's half-sister.

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00:39:21,440 --> 00:39:23,680

Her name was Susan.

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00:39:23,680 --> 00:39:25,960

Come here, sweetie.

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00:39:25,960 --> 00:39:28,680

As a young man, Virginia's father had been previously

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00:39:28,680 --> 00:39:30,000

married.

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00:39:30,000 --> 00:39:31,560

Daddy's going to miss you.

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00:39:31,560 --> 00:39:34,040

But circumstances in a longstanding dispute

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00:39:34,040 --> 00:39:36,680

with his mother-in-law had forced him to leave his wife

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00:39:36,680 --> 00:39:39,120

and his baby daughter Susan.

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00:39:39,120 --> 00:39:40,620

I'm sorry, Jill.

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00:39:40,620 --> 00:39:44,740

In later years, his attempts to locate them met with failure.

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00:39:44,740 --> 00:39:50,180

My mother admitted that she didn't tell me to protect me.

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00:39:50,180 --> 00:39:54,780

She had no way of knowing where my sister was

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00:39:54,780 --> 00:40:01,220

and why tell me if there was no way I could meet her.

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00:40:01,220 --> 00:40:03,740

Looking back, Virginia suddenly understood

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00:40:03,740 --> 00:40:08,020

the poignance of one memorable incident from her childhood.

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00:40:08,040 --> 00:40:10,440

For her sixth birthday, Virginia's parents

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00:40:10,440 --> 00:40:14,040

gave her the doll of her dreams.

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00:40:14,040 --> 00:40:15,760

So what do you think, Amy, about Sweetie?

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00:40:15,760 --> 00:40:16,400

I love her.

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00:40:16,400 --> 00:40:18,320

She's beautiful.

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00:40:18,320 --> 00:40:19,440

Well, what's her name?

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00:40:19,440 --> 00:40:20,480

I don't know.

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00:40:20,480 --> 00:40:23,640

What do you think I should call her?

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00:40:23,640 --> 00:40:25,520

He says, why don't you call her Sweet Sue?

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00:40:25,520 --> 00:40:27,000

How about Sweet Sue?

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00:40:27,000 --> 00:40:31,520

And I did, not realizing that that was the name of my sister.

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00:40:31,700 --> 00:40:36,660

She needs to know she has a father who loved her.

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00:40:39,660 --> 00:40:45,140

And secondly, I have a sister out there,

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00:40:45,140 --> 00:40:47,100

and I'm more than ready to be a sister.

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00:40:50,580 --> 00:40:52,060

When we aired this story last spring,

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00:40:52,060 --> 00:40:54,740

we had high hopes that Sweet Sue would be found.

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00:40:54,740 --> 00:40:56,420

We weren't disappointed.

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00:40:56,420 --> 00:40:58,820

Bethena Susan King lived in Oklahoma City,

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00:40:58,820 --> 00:41:00,520

only a short flight from Virginia's home

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00:41:00,520 --> 00:41:02,520

near Denver, Colorado.

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00:41:02,520 --> 00:41:04,600

The two women spoke on the telephone that night

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00:41:04,600 --> 00:41:08,360

and sensed an instant bond when they met that bond was confirmed.

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00:41:11,080 --> 00:41:15,120

I watched each person as they got off the airplane,

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00:41:15,120 --> 00:41:18,720

and I just, none of them, I knew that they weren't her.

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00:41:18,720 --> 00:41:20,880

But when she came walking out those doors,

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00:41:20,880 --> 00:41:24,640

I knew her instantly.

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00:41:24,640 --> 00:41:27,360

I just knew that's my sister.

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00:41:27,360 --> 00:41:28,400

I was really nervous.

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00:41:28,460 --> 00:41:30,660

I didn't know what to expect.

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00:41:30,660 --> 00:41:33,580

So when I walked through, there was Jenny and her husband,

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00:41:33,580 --> 00:41:36,100

and Jenny was holding this huge sign that says,

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00:41:36,100 --> 00:41:38,220

desperately seeking Susan.

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00:41:38,220 --> 00:41:40,260

And I had planned on just walking by

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00:41:40,260 --> 00:41:43,340

to see if she would recognize me, but I couldn't.

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00:41:43,340 --> 00:41:45,460

I got to her and dropped my suitcase,

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00:41:45,460 --> 00:41:48,100

and we hugged and cried and kissed and hugged some more,

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00:41:48,100 --> 00:41:51,940

and had a crowd looking at us, and just fell in love

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00:41:51,940 --> 00:41:52,820

with her instantly.

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00:41:53,720 --> 00:41:58,560

Since the reunion, Virginia and Susan

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00:41:58,560 --> 00:42:01,680

have been thrilled to discover how much they have in common.

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00:42:01,680 --> 00:42:02,920

They don't even make a humble case and say

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00:42:02,920 --> 00:42:03,880

they're Jenny flowers.

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00:42:03,880 --> 00:42:04,960

Yeah.

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00:42:04,960 --> 00:42:07,680

They like the same food, the same clothes,

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00:42:07,680 --> 00:42:11,480

enjoy the same hobbies, even talk alike.

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00:42:11,480 --> 00:42:13,400

We finish sentences for each other.

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00:42:13,400 --> 00:42:15,280

We have the same things.

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00:42:15,280 --> 00:42:19,120

My husband has just, he sits here and shakes his head.

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00:42:19,120 --> 00:42:21,120

He says, they are so much alike.

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00:42:23,320 --> 00:42:24,440

That's your father.

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00:42:24,440 --> 00:42:26,840

That's my daddy.

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00:42:26,840 --> 00:42:29,200

I feel like that if our dad was here right now,

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00:42:29,200 --> 00:42:31,200

that from what Jenny has told me about him,

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00:42:31,200 --> 00:42:34,400

he would be tickled to death to have both of us together.

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00:42:34,400 --> 00:42:36,440

He looked at the facial expressions.

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00:42:36,440 --> 00:42:40,360

I would love to give him a hug, to tell him that I'd search

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00:42:40,360 --> 00:42:45,480

for him since I was 21, thought about him since I was 12.

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00:42:45,480 --> 00:42:46,840

I think he would be happy for us.

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00:42:46,840 --> 00:42:49,280

He'd probably think, oh, Lord, the world's not

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00:42:49,280 --> 00:42:50,360

safe now with two of them.

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00:42:53,000 --> 00:42:55,880

The doll that had stood in for Susan for so many years

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00:42:55,880 --> 00:42:58,840

now had special meaning for both women,

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00:42:58,840 --> 00:43:01,960

a tangible reminder of their father's love.

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00:43:01,960 --> 00:43:04,280

And that was mine, Susie.

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00:43:04,280 --> 00:43:05,640

Jesus precious.

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00:43:05,640 --> 00:43:08,440

I knew it was a gift from our dad to her,

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00:43:08,440 --> 00:43:14,160

but I also felt like at that moment that it was mine too.

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00:43:14,160 --> 00:43:15,720

His arms.

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00:43:15,720 --> 00:43:16,360

Definitely.

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00:43:20,280 --> 00:43:21,240

It's mine.

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00:43:21,240 --> 00:43:22,760

It's mine.

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00:43:23,740 --> 00:43:25,140

I love you, baby.

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00:43:34,140 --> 00:43:35,940

For every mystery, there is someone,

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00:43:35,940 --> 00:43:38,540

somewhere who has the answer.

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00:43:38,540 --> 00:43:41,000

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