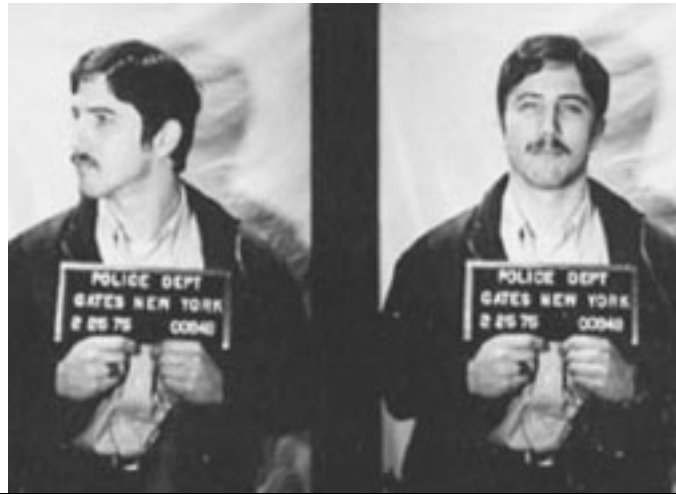


Kenneth Alessio Bianchi
 With Angelo Buono, known as
 the “*Hillside Stranglers*”



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Date	Age	Life Event
05-22-1951	0	Kenneth Bianchi is born in Rochester, New York to a 17-year-old alcoholic prostitute who gives him up for adoption
August 1951	3 months	Kenneth is adopted by Frances Scioliono Bianchi and her husband who is a worker in the American Brake-Shoe Factory. Frances is Angelo Buono’s mother’s sister making him Angelo’s adoptive cousin. Named Kenneth Alessio Bianchi, he is their only child.
1953	2	By the time he could talk his mother knew he would be a compulsive liar. Throughout his childhood he idolizes Prince Valiant
11-25-1954	3	First taken to hospital by his mother with complaints of not being able to sleep and wetting the bed 5 times. Quote from doctor after first hospital visit – “Mother needs help”
1956	5	Kenneth has frequent lapses into trance-like states of daydreaming. Frances consults a physician. These trance-like states of daydreaming are typified by his eyes rolling back in his head and inattentiveness. He is prone to temper tantrums and quick to anger as well. Doctor diagnoses him with petit mal syndrome and assures the Bianchi’s that there is nothing to worry about and that Kenneth will eventually grow out of these episodes.
01-02-1957		Kenneth falls off of a jungle gym at Century Park School and sustains an injury to his face
08-12-1957	6	Is examined again for his eyes rolling back into his head. Mother says that these

		episodes only last a moment or so
12-18-1958	7	Is checked by doctors for urinary dribbling
1959	8	Is treated briefly at a psychiatric center in Rochester for mental problems
1960	9	Begins having involuntary urination (Frances eventually makes him wear sanitary napkins).
November 28, 1960		Is sent to DePaul Psychiatric Clinic because of "involuntary urination, tics, absenteeism, and behavior problems." Doctors perform a cystoscopy and retrograde pyelogram on Kenneth
1962	11	Kenneth is moved twice from schools because he could not get along with his teachers. The mother believed the teachers made him nervous. His IQ is measured at 116. Mother says he is lazy, inattentive, and angry. Teachers say he is working below his capacity
July 1963	12	Decides that he likes pulling younger girls pants down and does just that to a six year old girl
1964	13	Kenneth's father, Mr. Bianchi, suddenly dies and Kenneth refuses to cry or show any emotion for his loss
1966-1970	15-19	Attends Gates-Chili high school (just outside Rochester). During this time he dates frequently, is clean-cut, and respectful of elders. Joins a motorcycle club and gets a tattoo that reads, "Satan's Own M.C."
1969	18	Proposes to a woman named Susan but is turned down
		Writes his girlfriend saying that he has been suspected in the Alphabet murders and that he had in fact killed a man. However, she thinks this is a sick joke and does not take the confession seriously. <i>*(the exact date of this letter can not be confirmed, some sources list the time period as 1969 while others say it was 1972)</i>
		Marries Brenda Beck for a few months. She is unable to meet his standards for a woman. He is with several women at a time throughout the marriage.
1970	19	Kenneth enrolls at Monroe Community College to become a police officer.
1971	20	Kenneth marries again but this time his wife leaves him after eight months.
1972-1976	21-25	Applies with a sheriff's office and is turned down. Becomes a security guard but is often charged with theft by employers who suspect him.
		Proposes to Susan a second time. However, she turns him down again and claims that he needs to have a stable job.
January 1976	25	Kenneth moves to Los Angeles and first lives with Angelo Buono (his adoptive cousin). Buono begins to introduce Bianchi to the world of perverse sex.
1976		Obtains a job with the California Land Title Company.
		His mother sends him money to buy a car with which he buys a 1972 Cadillac.
		Applies with the Los Angeles Police Reserves
July 1976		Moves out of Angelo's home and into his own apartment on East Garfield Avenue. Shortly thereafter he moves in with Kelli Boyd who he had met at work
1977	26	Applies to Glendale Police Department but is rejected
		Applies to Los Angeles Police Department but there are no openings
		After purchasing phony psychology degrees and credentials, Kenneth rents office space from a legitimate psychologist. Very few people see Kenneth for help.
		Begins using the false excuse that he has cancer so that he can skip work, which he does quite often.
May 1977		Is fired from his job after marijuana is found in his desk
		Kelli becomes pregnant by Kenneth. He proposes to her but she turns him down. However, she continues to stay with him.

September 1977		Angelo and Kenneth discuss the idea of getting young girls to work for them as prostitutes. It is Angelo's idea as a way for them to get money (as they are short on cash). They purchase a list of names of men who frequent prostitutes from Deborah Noble. Unbeknownst to Angelo and Kenneth, Deborah delivers a "trick list" and deceives them.
October 1977		Deborah Noble and her friend Yolanda Washington deliver the list of men to Angelo. Yolanda is 19 years-old, a part-time waitress and a prostitute. Yolanda tells Angelo that she usually works a particular stretch on Sunset Boulevard. Angelo and Kenneth soon find out that the list is a fake and seek out to get revenge for the money they paid.
October 17, 1977		Angelo and Kenneth begin their rampage. They seek out Yolanda Washington, rape and strangle her in the back seat of Kenneth's car.
October 18, 1977		Washington's boy is found near Universal City in a cemetery. She still has the fabric around her neck that was used to strangle her.
October 31, 1977		Victim Two-Judith Miller, a 15 years-old runaway and prostitute.
November 1, 1977		Miller's body is found with ligature marks on her ankles, wrists, and neck. She has also been raped.
November 5, 1977		Victim Three-Elissa Kastin, a 21 years-old waitress.
November 6, 1977		Kastin's nude body is found on a highway embankment. She is found with ligature marks similar to those found on Judith Miller. She has also been raped and sodomized.
November 9, 1977		Victim Four-Jane King, a 28 year-old aspiring actress.
November 13, 1977		Victims Five and Six- Sonja Johnson age 14 and Dolly Cepeda age 12.
November 20, 1977		A nine year-old boy finds the bodies of Sonja Johnson and Dolly Cepeda in Highland Park. They too are found nude with ligature marks and had been raped.
November 23, 1977		Victim Seven- Kristina Weckler, a 20 year-old college student. She is found the same day with ligature marks on the inner arm and on her neck.
November 28, 1977		Jane King's body is found near Los Feliz off-ramp on the Golden State Freeway. She has been sodomized and strangled. <i>(sources on the condition of King's body coincide. Some say she had been raped, while others report that the body was so badly deteriorated that rape could not be definitively determined)</i>
November 29, 1977		Victim Eight-Lauren Wagner, an 18 year-old student.
December 13, 1977		Lauren Wagner's body is found nude, strangled, and with electrical burns on her palms. She also has ligature marks on her body and had been raped.
February 17, 1978		Victim Nine - Kimberly Martin, an 18 year-old call girl who went by the name of Donna*. Her body is found the same day in a vacant lot on a hillside. <i>*(some sources report Martin's name as Kimberly Diane Martin, while others say she went by "Donna")</i>
1978	27	Victim Ten-Cindy Hudspeth, a 20 year-old college student. Her body is found in the trunk of her car which had been pushed over a cliff. She is also found nude, raped, and with ligature marks on her body. This is the last murder that Angelo and Kenneth participate in together, and Angelo's final murder before being arrested and ultimately sent to prison. Kenneth moves to Bellingham, Washington to be with Kelli and their son Ryan. He obtains a job as a security guard for a hardware store.*

		Kenneth applies with the Whatcom County Sheriffs Reserve and accepts a position there. This would be his last known place of employment.* <i>(the actual dates of Bianchi's move to Washington, and his dates of employment in Washington are not known)</i>
January 12, 1979		Police in Bellingham, Washington are notified that two young women from Western Washington University, Karen Mandic and Diane Wilder, are missing. The police later find out that Kenneth Bianchi had offered the girls \$100 to housesit for him.
January 1979		Police are led to an abandoned car in a heavily wooded area. Inside the car they discover the bodies of Mandic and Wilder. Both women have been strangled and their bodies contain multiple bruises. Upon identifying Bianchi as a suspect in the murders, they search his home. The search produces jewelry that matches the descriptions of that worn by Kimberly Martin and Yolanda Washington. Police are now able to identify Bianchi as one of the Hillside Stranglers.
October 22, 1979	28	Angelo Buono is arrested after Kenneth Bianchi tells police of his and Angelo's involvement in the murders.
June 1980	29	Bianchi receives a pen-pal letter from Veronica Lynn Compton, 23. She asks him for his opinion on her play about a female serial killer.
June – September 1980		Compton and Bianchi continue to correspond with each other. Compton suggests a defense strategy for Bianchi. She would travel to Bellingham and kill a woman and place his semen at the scene since he is a non-secretor. This would "show" that the strangler is still on the loose.
September 16, 1980		Compton visits Bianchi in prison. While visiting she receives his semen in a rubber glove that is hidden in a book. She then flies to Bellingham, Washington and picks out a female victim, but ruins the murder attempt.
October 3, 1980		Compton is arrested in California, and convicted in 1981 in Washington.
October 4, 1980		Bianchi writes a "letter to the world", stating that he is innocent and that Angelo Buono is the true killer.
July 6, 1981	30	In order to convince the court that his testimony was unreliable, Bianchi testifies that he might have faked the multiple personality disorder, but he could not be sure if he was telling the truth when he stated earlier that Buono was involved in the murders. Now he does not even think that he committed the murders either.
July 31, 1981		Prosecutor files a petition to dismiss the case against Buono due to Ken's irrationality and conflicting testimony.
August 1, 1981		Judge Ronald George dismisses the petition.
November 3, 1981		Judge Ronald George delivers his judgment: "My judgment was that Bianchi faked both the hypnosis and the multiple personality, and I came to that conclusion based on the circumstantial evidence acquired by the police, the contradictory testimony of Bianchi with regard to his mental status and the opinions voiced by the psychiatrists who examined him."
October 21, 1983	32	Bianchi receives his sentence (life in prison with the possibility for parole).
General Information		
Sex	Male	
Race	White	
Number of victims	12	
Country where killing occurred	United States	
States where killing occurred	California and Washington State	
Childhood Information		
Date of birth	May 22 1951	
Location	Rochester, New York	
Birth order	Only Child	

Number of siblings	One
XYY?	No
Raised by	Adoptive parents – the Bianchis; Biological mother was a prostitute who gave him up for adoption at birth
Birth category	Only child
Parent's marital status	Married (adoptive parents)
Family event	His adoptive father died of a heart attack. His adoptive mother, who he was very attached to, then had to start working to support the family.
Age of family event	13
Problems in school?	By age eleven he was having furious tantrums during class.
Teased while in school?	Unknown
Physically attractive?	Yes
Physical defect?	No
Speech defect?	No
Head injury?	Age of 11- fell off of a jungle gym and hit his head.
Physically abused?	No
Psychologically abused?	There is a possibility that he was mentally abused, but there is no documentation of any certain event.
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Adoptive father was employed by the American Brake shoe factory.
Age of first sexual experience	Unknown
Age when first had intercourse	Unknown
Mother's occupation	Was employed, but her exact occupation is unknown
Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	Biological mother abused alcohol. No alcohol abuse reported for adoptive mother
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	Completed high school
Highest degree	High School Diploma
Grades in school	Teachers reported that he was working below his capacity
IQ	116.
Work History	
Served in the military?	No
Branch	N/A
Type of discharge	N/A
Saw combat duty	N/A
Killed enemy during service?	N/A
Applied for job as a cop?	Yes, for a while he started taking classes to become a police officer but dropped out before finishing. He then applied for a job with a Sheriff's Department but was turned down.
Worked in law enforcement?	Yes, held a position as a security guard
Fired from jobs?	Yes, asked to leave after being found stealing, and fired from another job after marijuana was found in his desk.
Types of jobs worked	He went through several jobs, one job he held was at a title company. He also prepared a fake diploma for himself and began to practice as a psychologist.
Employment status during series	Employed
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Heterosexual
Marital status	He had a common law wife and re-married while in prison
Number of children	He had one child

Lives with his children	Yes
Living with	Common-law wife
Triad	
Animal torture	No
Fire setting	No
Bed wetting	No, but he had bladder control problems.
Abused drugs?	
Abused drugs?	No, but was fired from a job when pot was found in his desk.
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	Yes, mother sent him to one as a young boy.
Time in forensic hospital?	Yes
Diagnosis	Petit mal syndrome
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	He was suspected in the Alphabet murders in New York, but his involvement was never confirmed
Spend time in jail?	No
Spend time in prison?	No
Killed prior to series? Age?	Not positive, but yes, if he did commit the Alphabet murders
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	12 (the last two murders were carried out solely by Kenneth Bianchi, Angelo Buono was not involved with these)
Victim type	Vulnerable young women (prostitutes, low-income, students, low scale models and actresses); Also murdered two very young girls – ages 12 and 14
Killer age at start of series	27
Gender of victims	Female
Race of victims	White and African American
Age of victims	12 to 28.
Method of killing	Strangulation, rape, various types of torture
Type of serial killer	Organized lust
How close did killer live?	Drove to crime
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	Possibly, evidence was found in Bianchi's apartment
Weapon	No weapons, as most of the murders were ruled as death by strangulation. However, various items were used to tie and bound the victims.
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Yes
Tortured Victim?	Yes, as the murders progressed the detectives investigating saw the Hillside Stranglers experimenting more and more with methods of torture.
Stalked victims?	No
Overkill?	Yes
Quick & efficient?	No, torture was evident
Used blindfold?	No
Bound the victims?	Yes, ligature marks on the victims hands and feet were the "calling card" of the Hillside Stranglers.
After Death Behavior	
Sex with the body?	No
Mutilated body?	No
Ate part of the body?	No

Drank victim's blood?	No
Posed the body?	Yes
Took totem – body part	No
Took totem – personal item	Yes
Robbed victim or location	No
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	No
Left at scene, hidden	No
Left at scene, buried	No
Moved, no attempt to hide	Yes – once murdered, the bodies were moved to remote locations near hillsides
Moved, buried	No
Cut-up and disposed of	No
Moved, too home	No
Sentencing	
Date killer arrested	January 10, 1979.
Date convicted	October 21, 1979
Sentence	Sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.
Killer executed?	No
Name and state of prison	Washington State Penitentiary.
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	N/A – Still living

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