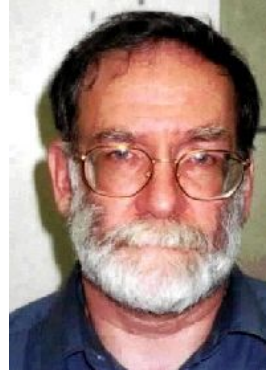


**Dr. Harold Frederick
Shipman**
“Fred” or “Freddy”



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Date	Age	Life Event
06/14/1946	0	Born in Nottingham, England
10/1961	15	Won the most improved student award for rugby, was a talented rugby player
1/1962	15	Mother Vera, diagnosed with lung Cancer
06/24/1963	17	Mother, Vera dies of lung cancer
1963	17	Team mates on his cross country team suspected he was addicted to sniffing Sloan's Liniment
1965	19	Accepted to Leeds University Medical School, England
1966	20	Marries Primrose May Oxtoby at 17 years old and she's 5 months pregnant
02/14/1967	20	Has first born child, Sarah Rosemary Shipman
10/1970	24	Takes finals at Leeds and graduates, gaining MBChB
4/21/1971	24	Second child is born, Christopher Fredrick Shipman
9/1972	26	Received diploma in Child Health
1974	28	Joins Medical Practice in Yorkshire, England
1974	28	Had unexpected blackouts, wrongfully diagnosed as an epileptic, was actually addicted to Pethidine, which he was suspected of illegally prescribing for patients and taking himself.
3/1975	28	Killed first victim, Eva Lyons, on the day before her 71 st birthday
1975	29	Forced out of his practice by partners and enters rehab at the Retreat, a psychiatric center in York.
11/1975	29	Arrested for forgery of Pethidine prescriptions while in rehab at The Retreat
2/1976	29	Plead guilty to three offenses of obtaining a controlled drug by deception, three of unlawful possession of a controlled drug, and two charges of forging declarations of exemption from prescription charges. Was fined for all charges, if he offended again then part of a subsequent hearing
12/1976	30	Stopped practicing for 1 year and 264 days
1977	31	He became a clinical Medical Officer; his responsibilities were only to exam infants and give advice about development.
1979	33	Back in general practice in Donnybrook Medical Center in Hyde, England
3/20/1979	33	Son, David born

3/5/1982	35	Son, Sam born
1/1985	38	Father dies, seemed unaffected, didn't take off work for the funeral.
1998	52	Complaint made that Shipman had described the wrong dose of Epilem at a patient with epilepsy, civil case for negligence was pursued and settled for 250,00£.
3/24/1998	51	Concerns about the excess number of deaths among Shipman's Patients reported by local general
6/24/1998	52	Killed Kathleen Grundy by giving her a fatal overdose of morphine, forged her will, leaving himself 386,000£. Later, he explains this away with false backlogged records supporting that she was a morphine addict.
9/7/1998	52	Arrested by Greater Manchester Police for the Murder of Kathleen Grundy
1998	52	Several of Shipman's victims bodies are exhumed for post mortem examination. Several suspected victims were cremated and could not be exhumed.
1998/1999	52/53	Investigation uncovers that Shipman backlogged fabricated medical notes to be congruent with his diagnosis of cause of death. It is also brought to light that many of the "ill" patients were found fully clothed in chairs or lying on couches, not lying ill in bed.
10/05/1999	53	Brought to trial for 15 murders of patients who had died unexpectedly from suspected morphine overdoses. During his trial a web of lies including unmade phone calls for ambulances, backlogged notes, and the forged will contribute to his conviction. Additionally, his arrogance comes out through witnesses' accounts of his callous attitude toward victims and their families. Hair samples confirm that his victims were not long-term morphine addicts, but usually died of single morphine overdoses.
1/31/2000	53	Given fifteen life sentences in Prison after being founded guilty of murdering fifteen elderly patients, as well as forging Kathleen Grundy's will.
2/1/2000	53	Health Secretary Alan Milburn announces an inquiry of "circumstances surrounding the murders and the investigation"
2/2000	53	Police make it known they are investigating Shipman's role in 175 deaths
7/2002	56	A report comes in that he killed at least 215 patients between 1975 and 1998
1/13/2004	57	On the eve of his 58 th birthday, he hung himself while in prison

General Information

Sex	Male
Race	White
Number of victims	Between 200 and 357
Country where killing occurred	Great Britain
States where killing occurred	Towns of: Hyde, Tameside, Great Manchester, West Yorkshire, etc.
Type of killer	Angel of Death
Height	

Childhood Information

Date of birth	January 14, 1946
Location	Nottingham, England
Birth order	2 nd of 3
Number of siblings	Two siblings; he was born the 2 nd of three
XYX?	No
Raised by	His mother-had many restrictions on him about being social
Birth category	He was born in the middle of two other siblings
Parent's marital status	
Family event	His Mother, Vera, dies – He had taken care of her a great deal
Age of family event	17 (6/24/1963)
Problems in school?	Other children and people thought of him as a "loner"; he was not a social person
Teased while in school?	They called him a "control freak"

Physically attractive?	Not really unattractive, just has the look of an older doctor
Physical defect?	No
Speech defect?	No
Head injury?	No
Physically abused?	No
Psychologically abused?	His mother was overprotective and didn't allow him to socialize
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Hosiery warehouseman
Age of first sexual experience	Unable to find
Age when first had intercourse	Unable to find
Mother's occupation	Stayed at home with the children
Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	No
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	He finished school and attended college and medical school
Highest degree	He earned an MD (medical degree)
Grades in school	Describes his grades as adequate enough to receive his degree
IQ	Unable to find
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?	No
Worked in law enforcement?	No
Fired from jobs?	Yes, forced out of practice at Pontefract General Infirmary
Types of jobs worked	Junior Doctor at Pontefract General Hospital, Yorkshire, GB; General Practitioner at Todmorden Group Practice in Todmorden, GB; Clinical Medical Officer in South West Durham, GB; General Practitioner at Donneybrook House Group Practice in Hyde, Cheshire, GB; Ran his own General Practitioner practice (The Surgery) in Hyde, Cheshire, GB.
Employment status during series	Employed as a physician.
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Heterosexual
Marital status	Married at age 19 to a girl who was 17 and 5 months pregnant
Number of children	4
Lives with his children	Until they were adults
Living with	Wife and while they were young, his children
Triad	
Animal torture	No
Fire setting	No
Bed wetting	No
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	Yes, Pethidine
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	Yes
Time in forensic hospital?	Spent time at The Retreat, a psychiatric center in York.
Diagnosis	No credible diagnosis
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	Prescribing Pethidine for patients and taking it himself

Spend time in jail?	No
Spend time in prison?	No
Killed prior to series? Age?	No
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	Between 200 and 357?
Victim type	Elderly people, mostly women- his patients
Killer age at start of series	28- lasted for almost two decades
Gender of victims	Mostly women
Race of victims	Mostly white
Age of victims	His elderly patients, often over 75
Method of killing	Giving his patients, who were otherwise healthy, an overdose of morphine; he was able to face the families of his victims without even the slightest bit of guilt.
Type of serial killer	Angel of Death
How close did killer live?	All victims were patients at his practice, and all but one were killed in their homes if he had made a house call
Killing occurred in home of victim?	Yes, he would visit patients in their home and sometimes say when he got there they were close to death.
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No
Weapon	Poison, overdose of morphine
Behavior During Crimes- His attitude towards victims and families was rude, arrogant and uncompassionate	
Rape?	No
Tortured victims?	No
Stalked victims?	No
Overkill?	No
Quick & efficient?	Yes, in fact patients submitted willingly, with no idea they were in danger
Used blindfold?	No
Bound the victims?	No
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?	No
Took totem – body part	No
Took totem – personal item	Uncertain, speculation that he took jewelry from some of his patients.
Robbed victim or location	No
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	Yes
Left at scene, hidden	No
Left at scene, buried	No
Moved, no attempt to hide	No
Moved, buried	No
Cut-up and disposed of	No
Moved, too home	No
Sentencing	Convicted of killing 15 patients with lethal injections of Diamorphine
Date killer arrested	September 7, 1998
Date convicted	January 31, 2000
Sentence	15 life sentences
Killer executed?	No, put in prison for life

Did killer plead NGRI?	No
Was the NGRI plea successful?	N/A
Name and state of prison	HMP Wakefield Prison, West Yorkshire, England
Killer committed suicide?	Yes, hung himself in prison from the cell bars with his bed sheets. They said he definitely should have been on suicide watch at the prison
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	January 13, 2004

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