Coral Eugene Watts "Coral"
"The Sunday Morning Slasher"



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Date	Age	Life Event
11/07/1953	0	Born in Killeen Texas to Richard and Dorothy Mae. Richard was a private in the army and was transferred to "Texas Bermuda Triangle" and in 1942, before Carl was born, Killeen was selected to be the location for its Tank Destroyer Tactical and Firing center.
11/10/1953	3 d.	Moved back to Coalwood, West Virginia
11/10/1954?	1	His sister Sharon Yvonne was born
1955	2	Richard left Dorothy and the kids forever and gave no reason. They then moved to Inkster, Michigan. Dorothy then worked as an art teacher and went to Coalwood to visit her mother, Lula Mae Young, a lot. Carl loved visiting his grandmother. He acquired his nickname because his cousins had an accent and would draw out the letters in Carl's name until it sounded like Coral and Carl decided that he liked it and also started talking like that. A coral reef is a beautiful organism that is dangerous to the touch and Carl asked his mother to change it. He liked hunting jackrabbits with his grandfather. In Inkster, Coral struggled in school but tried very hard with his homework and earned good grades.
1961	8	Coral and Sharon got meningitis (an inflammation of the membrane that surrounds the brain and spinal cord and is caused by a viral infection). The hospital that their mother took them to, Detroit General Hospital, took Sharon but refused to see Coral. He then got a horrible fever and had to go to Herman Keifer Hospital for a while because he now had meningitis and polio. He had to be kept separate from other patients and had to get spinal taps. He missed the entire 3 rd grade and his attention span dropped and grades suffered. Coral complained his memory often failed him now too.
1962	9	Dorothy got remarried to a man named Norman Ceaser who had 6 kids of his own. They then had 2 more kids. Coral didn't get much attention because he didn't stand out; he was shy, quiet, and introverted. Coral kept everything inside and when he got upset he was volatile. He wasn't violent or abusive and was never abused by his parents. Coral got his frustrations out through the love of

		sports. He was an excellent baseball and football player and track star. He won	
		aa Golden Gloves boxing title in the middleweight division but the first time he	
		got knocked out he gave up.	
1968	15	He was reading at a 4 th grade level and he didn't seem to care anymore.	
06/25/1969	15	He had his first run-in with the law. He was a paper delivery boy in Detroit and attacked a 26 year old white woman, Gave, one morning for no reason. He punched her in the face until she screamed and then he left, continued his delivery and went home. Four days later he was arrested at his home and said "I just felt like beating someone up".	
09/02/1969	15	Taken to Lafayette Mental Clinic which is a forensic psychiatry center in Detroit. He had sex at 14 but didn't have much interest in girls. He was told sex is wicked behavior. When he was evaluated it was said that he experienced disturbing dreams of beating up women and even killing them and he feels better after having the dreams. Several weeks later he still didn't feel remorse for attacking Gave. It was said by a doctor that he was impulsive and had a passive-aggressive orientation to life and no evidence of psychosis. He's a paranoid man who is struggling for control over homicidal impulses. The doctor recommended outpatient treatment.	
11/07/1969	16	Coral was released from Lafayette Mental Clinic on his birthday.	
1969-1974	16- 21	Went back to Lafayette Mental Clinic fewer than 10 times for his outpatient treatment. Began to get mixed in with drugs, withdrew from friends, and got in trouble in school because of his behavior with girls. He still played football and boxing and said that's how he dealt with abusive parents although everyone in his family denies abuse.	
09/06/1972	18	Zenaida Tomes (20) is found stabbed too death in Taylor, Michigan	
1973	19	Graduated with the help of his mother and received a scholarship to play football for Lane college in Tennessee. Lane college was predominantly black, he was the running back until he had a severe knee injury and wasn't able to play anymore. He dropped out after three months and moved back to Detroit with his mother and step father for six months. He became a mechanic for E & L Transport.	
1974	20	Went to Lafayette Mental Clinic for a checkup and said he was still suffering from his problems. His psychological evaluation said he might have problems with his sexuality and there were hints of homosexuality and he had a strong impulse to beat up women.	
07/02/1974	20	Enrolled in college courses at Western Michigan University. He was accepted under the MLK grant program for minorities. He was studying engineering and worked in the University cafeteria. He slacked off in class and spent his time playing ping pong. He intensely hated females even more than before.	
10/11/1974	20	He was caught stealing plywood from the WMU campus. The school police arrested him but they didn't press charges.	
10/25/1974	20	Coral knocked on Lenore Knizacky's apartment door at 10:45 am, with the door still chained she opened the door and Coral asked for Charles, which was the name of one of his siblings. No one named Charles lived there and she told him to check some neighbor's places and he did but then he came back. She asked if he'd like to leave a note and she undid the chain lock and went to get paper. Coral slipped in and attacked Knizacky. He got on top of her and choked her until she passed out and then he left.	
10/30/1974	20	Gloria Steel (BF, 19) was murdered. She was a mother and a student at WMU. She was stabbed 33 times in the chest with a wooden carving tool and had a crushed windpipe. There were no witnesses except for a woman who saw a black man walk up the staircase and he said he was looking for Charles. The police could not do an investigation because someone moved the evidence and body.	
11/12/1974	21	Diane K. Williams, an apartment resident manager, noticed a black man	

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		wandering around the apartment complex who was "looking for Charles" and
		Coral knocked on her door and asked for Charles. She got a piece of paper and
		Coral took it from her and forced the door open and pushed Williams into her
		apartment. While the two were fighting her phone began to ring so she knocked
		it off the hook and screamed for help. Her husband's secretary was on the other
		end and the man took off running. Williams stood up and looked out her
		window and saw the man getting into a tan Pontiac Grand Prix. A lineup was
		put together and Williams and Knizacky identified Coral.
11/16/1974	21	Coral was arrested and charged with assault and battery for both cases.
11/18/1974	21	He admitted that he was in the area of where Gloria lived the day before she died
11/10/19/1		but he said he did not kill her.
11/21/1974	21	Arrested for stealing the plywood from WMU but he kept his mouth shut and
11/21/19/		was released on bond.
		Coral was interviewed by Ninth District Court investigator Freemire. Coral
		admitted to attacking about 15 other young women. Most of the women were
12/6/1974	21	thin, attractive and white. After a while he demanded a lawyer, the person to
		represent him was Plaszcak. Coral decided he wanted to admit himself into the
		Kalamazoo Mental Hospital.
12/12/1974	21	Detroit police had a search warrant for Watts' home and they found wooden
12/12/17/7	<i>-</i> 1	carving tools but nothing to tie him to Gloria's murder.
		Watts had to stay in jail for 45 days or go to Kalamazoo Mental Hospital for the
		larceny of the plywood. Watts chose to stay in the hospital. Watts liked staying
		in the hospital too much, he shot pool and played basketball. Many doctors
12/18/1974	21	checked out Coral and said he doesn't believe in God, ESP, he hasn't heard any
		voices, didn't have delusions, there weren't psychotic symptoms noticed and
		mental facilities were intact. One of the doctors, Katilius, said Coral suffered
		from antisocial personality disorder.
		Coral tried to kill himself or tried to make the doctors think he wanted to kill
1/8/1975	21	himself. He got a laundry bag cord and hung himself when a nurse saw him and
1/0/19/3	21	cut him down. He wasn't unconscious. He was released later and worked
		sweeping up a local church.
		Admitted to the Center for Forensic Psychiatry in Michigan. A doctor Benedek
		said that Watts usually feels good after he beats up women. She didn't think he
6/1975	21	had a mental illness and said he was competent to stand trial. She also said he is
		dangerous and the potential for recidivism is high. He stated that what he did to
		the women didn't bother him.
12/19/1975	22	His trial for the assault and battery of Knizacky and Williams. He pleaded "no
14/17/17/3	22	contest" and went to the county jail for one year.
		He was released from the jail, returned to Inkster, and moved in with his mother
8/24/1976	22	and stepfather. Coral hooked up with a childhood friend, Deloris Howard, and
		got her pregnant.
		About 5 attacks on women in Detroit with about the same modus operandi every
June-Oct 1978		time. Break into women's homes, the women would wake up to a man standing
		over them with his hands on their mouths, breasts, or genitals.
		Had a daughter with Deloris and named her Nakisha Watts. They had a
2/3/1979	25	seemingly healthy relationship but he was really a deadbeat dad. He wouldn't
2/3/19/9	23	claim Nakisha as his own and took off. Later Deloris filed a claim to get \$70 a
		week from Coral for child support.
		Coral married Valeria Goodwill and they moved in together on Parker Street in
		Detroit. Coral's mom didn't like Valeria very much and eventually Valeria
		didn't like Coral either. She said that he had nightmares or something in his
8/17/1979	25	sleep and it would be like he was fighting someone in his sleep. She also said he
		would also fall out of bed or the couch and get back in without waking up. If
		Valeria touched him while he was waking up he would jump and she had to get
		out of the way. Soon after their marriage he began to act strangely. He would
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		constantly rearrange the furniture, cut up house plants with knives, cut candles
		and melt them into the table, dump garbage all over the floors and not pick it up.
		After they would have sex or an "intimate encounter" he would get up and leave
		and be gone for hours at a time.
09/21/1979	25	Headless body of Malak Haddad (32) was found in Allen Park, MI. Her head
09/21/19/9	23	has never been recovered.
10/09/1070	25	Body of Peggy Pochmara (WF, 22), was found strangled in the front yard of her
10/08/1979	23	boyfriend's neighbor in Detroit. She was not sexually assaulted or robbed.
10/17/1070	2.5	Coral was arrested for disorderly prowling outside of a woman's house. The
10/17/1979	25	charges were eventually dropped.
		Jeanne Clyne (WF, 44) was found stabbed 13 times outside of her home in
10/31/1979	25	Grosse Pointe Farms, MI. Victim was not sexually assaulted or robbed. People
		thought her dead body was a Halloween prank.
		Helen Dutcher (WF, 36) of Ferndale, MI was stabbed 12 times. Her murder was
12/01/1979	26	witnessed by a man named Joseph Foy. Foy gave a sketch artist a description of
12/01/17/7	20	an African American man who looked like Coral Watts.
		Judge Gilmore ruled that Coral was the father and had to pay \$40 a week.
01/25/1980	26	Deloris found out by reading the newspaper that Coral had married another
01/23/1960	20	
		woman. Body of Hazel Connof (WF, 23) was found in her boyfriend's Detroit driveway
03/10/1980	26	
		tied to a chain-link fence with her belt around her neck. Not raped or robbed.
03/31/1980	26	Body of Denise Dunmore (26) found strangled in a Detroit parking lot. Not
		raped or robbed.
0.4/20/1.000	2.6	Body, of Shirley Small (17) was found on a sidewalk 70 feet away from her
04/20/1980	26	family's Ann Arbor, MI house. Bled to death by 2 stab wounds to her heart. She
		had six deep slices on her face. Not raped or robbed.
May 1980	26	Valeria Goodwill filed for a divorce from Coral Watts.
05/31/1980	26	Linda Monteiro (27) was found strangled outside her Detroit home. No sexual
03/31/1700	20	assault or robbed.
	26	Glenda Richmond (26) found dead 27 feet from her Ann Arbor, MI apartment.
07/13/1980		She was stabbed 28 times in her left breast with a screwdriver. Not raped or
		robbed. P. 46
		Lilli Marlene Dunn (WF, 28), an aspiring model, was abducted from her
		Southgate, MI driveway and dragged to Coral's car. Later that day a 22 year old
7/31/1980	26	woman, Kondratowitz, was walking home when she was grabbed from behind
//31/1960	20	by a man and then he slashed her throat, luckily she survived. The United States
		Customs authorities got a picture of Coral's car crossing the border of where the
		crime was shortly after it was committed.
		Rebecca Greer Huff (20) was found dead outside of her Ann Arbor, MI
		apartment and was stabbed 54 times with a screwdriver. The Ann Arbor press
09/14/1980	26	noticed that all of the murders had a few things in common, they were all white
		women outside their apartments and they were all killed Sunday morning around
		4 a.m. and so people started to call the murderer, the Sunday Morning Slasher.
		20-year-old woman, Dalpe, was attacked and stabbed and luckily survived. She
10/006/1980		had deep cuts on her face and one severed her jugular vein, and she ended up
	26	having some paralyzed muscles, weak muscles, she could barely eat or move her
		head, and her arms barely went over her head.
		30-year-old woman, Angus, was walking to her home after a Halloween party
		and noticed a black man with a hooded sweatshirt and she kept an eye on him.
		As soon as she took out her keychain he knelt down to tie his shoe then came
11/01/1980	26	right after her. She screamed at the top of her lungs and ran to her front door.
11/01/1700	20	The man turned and ran the other way because he was startled by her reaction.
		She pointed out Coral Watts from a photographic lineup but she could not be
		100% sure because it was not well lit outside.
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11/6/1980	26	Body of Lena J. Bennett (63) was found hanging by a trench coat belt from a

beam in her garage in harper Woods, MI. This woman was sexually assaulted unlike the other women. They said that a wooden broomstick was inserted into her vagina. Paul Bunten, an Ann Arbor Homicide detective, was told by two beat-patrol officers that they witnessed Watts stalking a young woman. That was the only time any authority figure would see Watts playing his game, cat and mouse. He would drive past her and then stop a few blocks ahead, she would run a different direction and he would follow her again, and she'd try to hide. The 2 police officers said that Watts almost went nuts when the girl got inside her apartment because he had lost her. The police officers chased him down when he ran from them and caught up to his car with their police car. They arrested him for driving under a suspended license and expired license tags. They searched his vehicle and found a large dictionary with the words "Rebecca is a lover" scratched on it, blood evidence and wooden carving tools. Bunten had no evidence against Watts when he was brought in for interrogation so when Watts and the hisp phone call he was allowed to leave. Bunten became Watts "stalker" and tried to find out more information about him. When he talked to Watts' former psychiatrist and former attorney told Bunten that he probably found his killer. 11/20/1980 27 Watts attempted to attack a 60-year-old woman, Pardo. He grabbed her from behind and started choking her, as soon as she screamed he ran out. A meeting was put together with Bunten, Sergeant James Arthurs, Detroit Police Internal Affairs, the state of Michigan police force, Windsor, Ontario authorities, and Homicide Squad Seven all attending. They all started watching Watts' every move. Bunten sow Coral inside a courthouse talking on a pay phone and went up and told him that he warned to talk to him. Coral said he didn't want to talk to the police anymore and ran away. Coral packed his belongings and left Michigan and went to his grandmother's house and then to Texas. Watts applied for a jo		1	[
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09/10/1981	27	Williams.
00/10/1001	2.7	Susan Wolf (WF, 21) is stabbed to death ini front of her Houston, TX home.
09/13/1981	27	This same day was Watts' last day at Welltech.
10/21/1981	27	Watts got a new job working on the city's buses and bought a second car in cash.
		Phyllis Tamm (27) was out running by herself early in the morning and had been
01/04/1982	28	hung by her tube top from a branch. It was ruled a suicide but her family didn't
		believe it.
		A young girl had a few too many drinks and fell asleep in a friend's car. When
		the friend returned they said goodnight and got into their own vehicles and she
		drove home. On her way home Watts followed her and blinded her making her
		drive into the curb. He walked up to her and punched her in the throat and killed
01/16/1982	28	her instantly then stuck her in the trunk of her own car and left.
		A woman was changing her flat tire on the side of the freeway and Watts did not
		drive up to her but walked up to her and grabbed her by the head and slit her
		throat twice. She ran into traffic and a man picked her up, Watts thought he got
		his second kill of the day.
01-18-1982	28	Margaret Fossi (WF, 25) is strangled to death in Houston.
1/29/1982	28	A 19-year-old girl, Martell, was attacked outside of her apartment. She woke up
1/27/1702	20	in a hospital bed and realized that she had been stabbed 3 times.
		Another 19-year-old girl, Johnson, was attacked as she got out of her car while
		going to her home. Luckily a person on the second floor heard what was going
1/30/1982	28	on and came out and yelled which made Watts walk off. Johnson luckily
		survived. She was shown a photographic lineup and she picked out a man
		named Mosley.
		Very early in the morning, Elena Semander (HF, 20), was going to visit a friend
02/07/1982		after she had been out late. There was someone parked next to the dumpster who
	20	was sleeping in his car. He saw a black man come up to a young woman and
	28	drag her behind the dumpster but he was half asleep so he didn't notice really.
		He heard a moan a little later and then a thud as if something had been thrown
		into the dumpster. A trashman came later to get the dumpster and started to
		compact it when he noticed the human leg and called the police.
03/19/1982	28	Coral Watts moved out of his apartment and into a new one. He listed Sheila Watts as his wife and resident and listed her daughter as a resident also.
		A young girl got into a fight with her dad and left and then never showed up
03/20/1982	28	again. She was last seen hitchhiking on Interstate 10 which is the same road
03/20/1702	20	Watts had to travel on that day.
		Ledet, a young girl, went running early in the morning by herself. She was
		attacked and stabbed 17 times in the chest. Later a girl, Kirby, was walking on
03/27/1982	28	the sidewalk and a man stopped his car, started walking toward Kirby and then
55,27,1762	-0	lunged at her. His hands were too drenched with blood to keep hold of her and
		she slipped through and ran for help.
		Yolanda Gracia (HF, 22) left work to go home and she never made it. She was
04/15/1982	28	stabbed 4 times. She had been receiving phone calls for about a month from a
3 2 . - 2 . 0 -		Hispanic male. Her co-workers thought she was having an affair.
		Carrie Jefferson (WF, 32) was going home and as she reached for her keys Watts
04/16/1982	28	grabbed her and dragged her through the front yard, disturbing grass on the way,
		threw her in her trunk, and drove her car off.
04/25/1982	28	Susan Searles (25) is found strangled to death in the parking lot of her apartment.
05/23/1982	28	Michelle Maday (WF, 20) is found drowned.
		Watts attacked Lister and Aguilar and was captured. The police went to visit
5/23/1982	28	Sheila Williams and asked to search the house but Williams demanded a warrant.
		When they went back the next day with a warrant she had cleared the place out.
08/11/1982	28	
08/11/1982	28	Emily Elizabeth LaQua (WF, 14) is stabbed to death in Walker County.

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09/13/1982	28	Watts told police where LaQua's body was. Later Watts went for a drive with some police and led them to places where he attacked some of the women.	
	28	The new date for the sentencing hearing. People were advised to wear bullet proof vests, they had a metal detector at the front entrance and a bomb-sniffing dog go through the whole room. The judge found Watts guilty of committing burglary and the burglary was committed with the intent to commit murder. He was sentenced for sixty years.	
9/27/1982	28	Body of Elizabeth Ann Montgomery (WF, 25) is found stabbed to death in Harris County.	
9/27/1982		It is stated in the book that about 22% of all serial killers are black and that all blacks make up about 12% of the United States. Some notorious African American serial killers are Carlton Gary, Alton Coleman and Debra Brown, Kendall Francois, Vaughn Greenwood, Derrick Todd Lee, John Allen Muhammaad, Gerald Parker, Brandon Tholmer, and Wayne Williams.	
	28	Watts stayed in the Harris County Jail until he was moved to the Diagnostic Center of the Texas Department of Corrections.	
2/20/1983	29	Watts tried to escape prison, he got his prisonmates to act as a shield for him. He was caught and sent to solitary confinement for 15 days and lost 181 good-time credit days. He was added to a higher-security-risk list.	
5/30/1986	32	Watts filed for a writ of habeas corpus.	
7/7/1987	22	Watts filed for another writ of habeas corpus.	
3/1/189	33	The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals decided that it wasn't the intention of the	
1/15/1990	35	attorney to have the trial judge enter an affirmative finding in the judgment.	
9/1993			

10/23/1996	42	Denied parole.		
11/19/1999	46		for the fourth time.	
11/7/2002	49	Fifth parole hearing	g for which he was denied again. Watts was scheduled for	
		release on 5/8/2006.		
1/13/2004	50		that they might charge Watts with the murder of Steele.	
4/6/2004	50	Governor Perry signed extradition papers which made sure Watts would be kept behind bars for years.		
4/14/2004	50	Watts went to his extradition hearing.		
4/22/2004	50	Transferred, completed his cancer treatments and was ready to stand trial.		
5/20/2004	50	Judge Longo put a case.	gag order on all legal parties that were involved in the murder	
11/8/2004	51		om victims' family members.	
11/9/2004	51	Trial begins for the murder of Helen Dutcher. Watts was uncomfortable listening to the attorney describe the murders. His shoulders twitched and his face involuntarily jerked.		
11/10/2004	51	2 nd day of trial, Jos	seph Foy testified as a witness for the state.	
11/12/2004	51	3 rd day of trial, Ske	etch artist took the stand and had a sketch that look a lot like I given the description for.	
11/15/2004	51	4 th day of trial, List	ter, Aguilar, and Sanchez (all survivors) testified and so did add, Fleming, and Jensen.	
11/17/2004	51	District attorney Gregart said they were going to bring a murder charge against Watts, for Steele. A second juror, male juror, was kicked off for going to the crime scene. Jurors begin deliberating to determine Watts' fate.		
11/18/2004	51	Watts found guilty of murder in the first degree of Helen Dutcher.		
12/7/2004	51	Watts was sentenced to life in prison in the state of Michigan.		
7/25/2007	53		Steele murder begins	
7/26/2007	53		conclude in the Steele case	
7/27/2007	53	Jury returns a guilt		
7/21/2007	53	Jury convicts Watts in the 1974 stabbing death of Gloria Steele		
9/21/2007	53	Watts dies of prostate cancer in a Michigan hospital		
General Informa	ation	•	· ·	
Sex		Ŋ	Male	
Race			African American	
Number of victims			≤ 80 admitted	
Country where killing occurred			United States, Canada	
States where killing occurred			Michigan and Texas	
Cities where killing occurred			Dozens across the states of Texas, Michigan, and Ohio. Also parts of Canada.	
Type of killer			Serial killer: Disorganized	
Height			5'11"	
Childhood Infor	mation			
Date of birth		1	11/7/1953	
Location			Killeen, Texas	
Birth order			I st of 2, then +6, and 2 more	
Number of siblings			At first 1, then 9	
XYY?			No	
Raised by			Mother, then stepfather from age 9	
Birth category			Oldest	
Parent's marital status			Divorced	
Family event			Divorce, remarried	
Age of family event			2, 9	
Problems in school?			He struggled but worked hard, problems after he got sick,	
20			lidn't treat the girls like he was supposed to.	

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Teased while in school?	No
Physically attractive?	Not especially
Physical defect?	Knee injury in college, spinal taps as a child
Speech defect?	No
Head injury?	Possible brain damage from high fevers/meningitis
Physically abused?	No
Psychologically abused?	Tormented by dreams, but he enjoyed them
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	In the army
Age of first sexual experience	14
Age when first had intercourse	14
Mother's occupation	Art teacher
Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	No
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade level in school	Some college
Highest degree	High school diploma
Grades in school	poor
IQ	68 then retested and got a 75
Source of IQ information	Book-Dr. Sherman did the second one.
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
Types of jobs worked	Mechanical, cafeteria at his college
Employment status during series	mechanic
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Heterosexual
Marital status	Married, divorced, remarried and divorced again
Number of children	1
Lives with his children	No
Living with	Parents, himself, fiancé.
Triad	
	N.
Animal torture	No No
Fire setting	No No
Bed wetting	No
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	No
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	No
Time in forensic hospital?	Yes
Diagnosis	Depression and antisocial behavior
Killer Criminal History	
	Vos haragement Steeling planned attacks an arrange
Committed previous crimes?	Yes, harassment, Stealing plywood, attacks on women
Spend time in jail? Spend time in prison?	Yes Yes
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Killed prior to series? Age?	no
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	At least 27
Victim type	Women
Killer age at start of series	20
Date of first kill in series	10/30/1974
Date of final kill in series	5/22/1982
Gender of victims	Female
Race of victims	White (10), Hispanic (2), Black (1)
Age of victims	14, 17, 19, 20(4), 21, 22(2), 23, 25(3), 26(2), 27(2), 28 (2), 32(2), 34, 36, 44, 63
Type of victim	Usually young women who were going home late at night by themselves and walking up to their door. Mostly young, white women with "evil eyes". Vulnerable. Women who would walk or drive alone to their homes.
Method of killing	Strangling, stabbing
Weapon	Knife, wooden carving tools, clothes from victim to hang
	them.
Was gun used?	no
Type	n/a
Did killer have a partner?	No
Name of partner	n/a
Sex of partner	n/a
Type of serial killer	Disorganized thrill
How close did killer live?	Drove to crime
Location of first contact	Victim's home
Location of killing	Victim's apartment
Killing occurred in home of victim?	Close to it
Killing occurred in home of killer?	no
Victim abducted or killed at contact?	Killed at contact
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Not usually
Tortured victims?	Not usually
Stalked victims?	Yes
Overkill?	Yes
Quick & efficient?	Sometimes
Used blindfold?	No
Bound the victims?	Not unless he hung them.
After Death Behavior	
Sex with the body?	Not usually
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	No
Robbed victim or location	Not usually, took something once then threw it on the ground when he left.
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	Sort of ?
Left at scene, hidden	Some, ex. Dumpster
Left at scene, buried	2
Moved, no attempt to hide	No
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Moved, buried	A couple
Cut-op and disposed of	No
Moved, to home	1
Sentencing	
Date killer arrested	5/23/1982 (Arrested numerous times)
Date convicted	12/7/2004
Sentence	Life
Killer executed?	No
Did killer plead NGRI?	No
Was the NGRI plea successful?	n/a
Name and state of prison	Michigan State. Harris County Jail, Diagnostic Center of the
	Texas Department of Corrections, and Michigan
Killer committed suicide?	Attempted in Psych hospital, merely for attention
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	9/21/2007

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