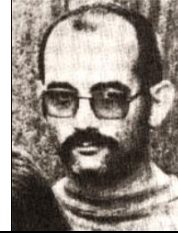


**Patrick Kearney**  
*“The Trash Bag Killer”*



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<b>Date</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Life Event</b>
09/24/1939	0	Born in East Los Angeles, California, to George and Eunice Kearney. Some reports list him as being born in Texas but birth records indicate he was born in Los Angeles.
07/19/1944	4	Brother, Michael Erwin Kearney, is born
Sept., 1944	5	Kearney began elementary school in Montebello, California
08/28/1945	5	Brother, Chester Ross Kearney, is born
1947	8	Patrick Kearney began having thoughts of killing
1950	11	Kearney’s father moved them to Reseda, CA. Patrick was bullied in school
1952	13	Father taught Kearney how to kill pigs by shooting them behind the left ear, which he later used to slaughter animals unsupervised and found pleasure in rolling around in the blood and guts.
1953	14	In the winter, Kearney attended junior high school at Diane St. Leichman Special Education Center in Reseda, CA; he was bullied at this school as well.
	14	Family moves to Wilcox, Arizona where Kearney enrolls in Wilcox Middle School.
		Family moves from Arizona to Redondo Beach, California
1957	17	Kearney graduates from high school
		Family moves from California to Houston, TX
		Patrick moves back to California and attends El Camino Community College in Torrance, CA
1958	19	Kearney joins the U.S. Air Force and is stationed in Texas following basic training.
1960	20	Kearney meets David Hill while stationed in Texas. They become friends and lovers.
1961	21	Patrick Kearney receives an honorable discharge from the Air Force and moved to Long Beach, California with Hill.
1962	22	Hill left Kearney to hitchhike around the country and eventually got back together with his wife, Linda.
1962	22	Kearney begins taking history classes at California State University at Long Beach.
1962	22	Kearney kills his first victim, a 19-year old who agreed to take a ride on Kearney’s motorcycle. Kearney shot him in the head, sexually assaulted him, and mutilated the body.
1962	22	Kearney kills his second victim, the 16-year old cousin of the first victim who had seen Kearney take his cousin for a ride.
1962	22	Kearney kills his third victim, an 18-year old named Mike.
1962	22	David Hill returns to California and moves in with Kearney.

August 1962	22	Kearney was finally able to find a steady job working as an engineer for Hughes Aircraft
01-25-1963	23	Kearney quits his job at Hughes Aircraft
04-04-1963	23	Kearney is rehired by Hughes Aircraft and is soon promoted to Senior Research Assistant
1964	24	Kearney and Hill move to Culver City, CA
1966	26	David Hill and his wife Linda get divorced.
June 1967	27	David Hill was invited by Patrick to drive to Mexico, they met up with an old friend, George, who was killed by Kearney in December.
December 1969	29	Kearney purchased the Robinson residence for \$20,750 from Reid Wilson Realty. This is the location in Redondo Beach where many of the murders occurred.
June 1971	31	David Hill left Kearney again with nothing but a note which angered Kearney so he went after revenge
06/26/1971	31	Killings begin and last until 1977 (see list of victims at the end of the timeline for details)
03/13/1977	37	The body of the final victim, John Otis LaMay, is found. Evidence leads investigators to Kearney.
03/19/1977		Police search Kearney's home
05/06/1977		The last day that Kearney reported to work at Hughes Aircraft
05/19/1977		Police search Kearney's home
05/20/1977		Kearney stops by Hughes Aircraft to pick up his final paycheck
		Kearney and Hill flee the state and travel to Texas, New Mexico, and Arizona
06/03/1977		Police again search Kearney's home
06/03/1977	37	Warrants are issued for the arrest of Kearney and Hill.
07/01/1977	37	Patrick Kearney and David Hill turn themselves into the Riverside County Sheriff's dept.
07/14/1977		Kearney is indicted on for the murders of Albert Rivera, Atruro Marquez, and John LeMay
07/15/1977		Kearney confesses to 28 murders
12/21/1977		Kearney pleads guilty and receives a sentence of life in prison
Feb, 1978		Kearney is charged with 18 more counts of murder
02/21/1978		Kearney pleads guilty to the 18 counts of murder

### General Information

Sex	Male
Race	White
Number of victims	32-43
Country where killing occurred	United States, Mexico
States where killing occurred	California
Cities where killing occurred	Multiple cities
Counties where killing occurred	Multiple counties
Type of killer	Serial Killer – Enjoyment - Power
Height	5'7"

### Childhood Information

Date of birth	Sept, 24 1939
Location	East Los Angeles, California
Birth order	First born
Number of siblings	2 (Michael, Chester)
XYY?	No
Raised by	Both parents George & Eunice Kearney
Birth category	Oldest child
Parent's marital status	Married
Did serial killer spend time in an orphanage?	No
Did serial killer spend time in a foster home?	No

Was serial killer ever raised by a relative?	No
Did serial killer ever live with adopted family?	No
Did serial killer ever live with a step-parent?	No
Family event	No
Age of family event	No
Problems in school?	No
Teased while in school?	Bullied by other students
Physically attractive?	No
Physical defect?	No
Speech defect?	No
Head injury?	No
Physically abused?	No
Psychologically abused?	By bullies a majority of his life
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Officer for the Los Angeles Police Department
Mother's occupation	Home maker
Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	No
<b>Cognitive Ability</b>	
Highest grade in school	Some college level course work
Highest degree	High School Diploma
Grades in school	Decent grades until he left college
IQ	180 (this IQ is commonly reported but may not be accurate)
Source of IQ information	Tony Stewart (The Trash Bag Murder 2010)
<b>Work History</b>	
Served in the military?	Yes, joined 1958, Discharged 1961
Branch	Air Force
Type of discharge	Dishonorable
Saw combat duty	No
Killed enemy during service?	No
Applied for job as a cop?	No
Worked in law enforcement?	No
Fired from jobs?	No
Types of jobs worked	Engineer for Hughes Aircraft
Employment status during series	Only permanent job was Hughes Aircraft for a few years
<b>Relationships</b>	
Sexual preference	Homosexual
Marital status	Single
Number of children	None
Lives with his children	
Living with	Lived with his partner David Hall
<b>Triad</b>	
Animal torture	Yes
Fire setting	No
Bed wetting	No
<b>Killer Psychological Information</b>	
Abused drugs?	No
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist (prior to killing)?	No
Time in forensic hospital (prior to killing)?	No

Diagnosis	None
<b>Killer Criminal History (Prior to the series)</b>	
Committed previous crimes?	No
Spent time in jail?	No
Spent time in prison?	No
Killed prior to series? Age?	Slaughtered animals for pleasure
<b>Serial Killing</b>	
Number of victims (suspected of)	32-43
Number of victims (confessed to)	28
Number of victims (convicted of)	21
Victim type	Young men/teenagers, hitchhikers, runaways
Killer age at start of series	Unsure, most likely around mid 20's
Killer age at end of series	Late 30's (37)
Date of first kill in series	Not including the odd three before, June 1971
Date of final kill in series	Beginning of 1977
Gender of victims	Men
Race of victims	White
Age of victims	5-28
Type of victim	Hitchhikers, loners, runaways,
Method of killing	Shoot them in the head and take them home, sodomize them and drain their blood in his bathtub.
Weapon	Gun
Was gun used?	Yes
Type	.22 caliber handgun
Did killer have a partner?	Yes
Name of partner	David Hall
Sex of partner	Male
Relationship of partner	Sexual relationship
How close did killer live?	Lived with Kearney
Location of first contact	Met through mutual friends during service days
Location of killing	Locations varied, most took place in Kearney's car or in his household
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	Yes
Victim abducted or killed at contact?	Yes
<b>Behavior During Crimes</b>	
Rape?	Sodomize
Tortured victims?	Drained their blood
Intentionally went out that day to kill?	Yes
Overkill?	No
Quick & efficient?	Yes
Used blindfold?	Yes
Bound the victims?	Yes
<b>After Death Behavior</b>	
Sex with the body?	Sodomy
Mutilated body?	Drained their blood and cut the bodies up
Ate part of the body?	No
Drank victim's blood?	Yes
Posed the body?	No
Took totem – body part	No
Took totem – personal item	No
Robbed victim or location	No

<b>Disposal of Body</b>	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	Yes
Left at scene, hidden	Yes
Left at scene, buried	Yes
Moved, no attempt to hide	No
Moved, hidden	No
Moved, buried	No
Cut-up and disposed of	Yes
Burned body	No
Dumped body in lake, river, etc.	Dumped bodies near the highway in trash bags
Moved, took home	No
<b>Sentencing</b>	
Date killer arrested	July 1, 1977
Date convicted	July 15 <sup>th</sup> signed confessions, Sentenced December 21, and was charged February of 1978
Sentence	Was charges with 21 counts of first degree murder- life
Killer executed?	No
Did killer plead NGRI?	No
Was the NGRI plea successful?	No
Did serial killer confess?	Yes, him and his partner turned themselves in
Name and state of prison	Mule Creek State Prison, Sacramento, CA
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	None
Cause of death	None
<b>Victim 1</b>	
Name	Unknown
Date killed	Spring, 1962
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	19
How killed	He drove him to a deserted area and while he had his back turned shot him in the head and sexually assaulted him and left him there
State killed	California
City killed	Indio
County killed	N/a
Type of target	Young man
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	No
<b>Victim 2</b>	
Name	Referred to as "John Doe"
Date killed	1962
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	16
How killed	Same location as victim 1 and he shot him in the back of his head, dragged his body and sexually assaulted him.
State killed	California
City killed	Indio
County killed	Unknown

Type of target	Young boy
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	No
<b>Victim 3</b>	
Name	Mike
Date killed	1962
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	18
How killed	Shot him in the back of his head, dragged his body and sexually assaulted him.
State killed	California
City killed	Indio
County killed	Unknown
Type of target	Young man
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 4</b>	
Name	George
Date killed	December, 1967
Date body was found	Remains found July 8, 1977
Gender	Male
Race	Hispanic
Age	Unknown
How killed	Shot in the head while he was sleeping. Also, put in bathtub and sodomized. Dismembers and buries outside in the backyard.
Country killed	Mexico
City killed	Tijuana
County killed	Unknown
Type of target	Young Man
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 5</b>	
Name	John Demichik
Date killed	06/26/1971
Date body was found	02/09/1973
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	13
How killed	Shot
State killed	California
City killed	Inglewood
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 6</b>	
Name	James Barwick
Date killed	N/a
Date body was found	09/22/1973
Gender	Male
Race	White

Age	17
How killed	Shot in the back of the head
State killed	California
City killed	Unknown
County killed	Unknown
Type of target	Street - hitchhiking
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 7</b>	
Name	Ronald Dean Smith Jr.
Date killed	08/24/1974
Date body was found	10/12/1974
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	5
How killed	Suffocation
State killed	California
City killed	Lennox
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Young child
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 8</b>	
Name	Albert Rivera
Date killed	04/13/1975
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	Hispanic
Age	21
How killed	Shot in the head, taken back to Kearney's house, sodomized, & cut up into pieces and stuffed in trash bags.
State killed	California
City killed	San Diego
County killed	San Diego
Type of target	Homosexual prostitute
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 9</b>	
Name	Larry Gene Walters
Date killed	11/10/1975
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	20
How killed	Shot at Kearney's house, sodomized and then dismembered and put into trash bags to be disposed in various locations.
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Street - hitchhiking
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 10</b>	

Name	Robert "Billy" Benniefiel
Date killed	Fall, 1976
Date body was found	Never found
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	17
How killed	Picked up on the side of the road, shot in the back of the head, took body back to Kearney's house, and sodomized him, dismembered him and dumped his body parts in several different locations.
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Accepted a ride when his bike broke down
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 11</b>	
Name	Kenneth E. Buchanan
Date killed	03/01/1976
Date body was found	04/07/1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	17
How killed	Picked him up, shot him in the back of the head, sodomized him, he woke up then he shot him 3 more x
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
Type of target	Young loner boy
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 12</b>	
Name	Oliver Peter Molitor
Date killed	03/21/1976
Date body was found	N/a body buried in several places at the Palos Verdes land fill
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	13
How killed	Picked up hitchhiking, played "doctor" which lead to sex. Kearney killed the boy, chopped up his body parts and put them in separate trash bags.
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 13</b>	
Name	Larry Armedariz
Date killed	04/19/1976
Date body was found	N/a
Gender	Male
Race	N/a
Age	15
How killed	Picked up by Kearney and shot in the back of the head.



	His body was taken to the Kearney home and sexually abused, dismembered and then wrapped up for disposal.
State killed	California
City killed	N/a
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 14</b>	
Name	Merle "Hondo" Chance
Date killed	04/06/1977
Date body was found	05/26/1977
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	8
How killed	Smothered to death, taken back to Kearney's house and was sodomized. Then the child was dumped off of Angeles Crest Highway
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
Type of target	Young in need boy
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 15</b>	
Name	Michael Craig McGhee
Date killed	06/11/1976
Date body was found	Unknown
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	13
How killed	Shot in the back of the head, then raped young boy, then dismembered his parts shoved them into trash bags and disposed of them.
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
Type of target	Acquaintance
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 16</b>	
Name	John "Woody" Woods
Date killed	06/20/1976
Date body was found	06/21/1977
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	23
How killed	Shot to death.
State killed	California
City killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Adult Male
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 17</b>	
Name	Tony Stewart
Date killed	Survivor
Date body was found	N/a

Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	19
How killed	N/a
State killed	N/a
City killed	N/a
Type of target	Young boy
Did killer confess to this murder?	N/a
Was killer convicted of this murder?	N/a
<b>Victim 18</b>	
Name	Larry Epsy
Date killed	N/a
Date body was found	08/23/1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	17
How killed	Picked up hitchhiking, Kearney shot him in the back of the head. Kearney had sex with the body then cut him up into pieces and put his parts into trash bags and disposed of them.
State killed	California
City killed	Redondo Beach
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 19</b>	
Name	Mark Andrew Orach
Date killed	10/06/1976
Date body was found	10/06/1976
Gender	Male
Race	N/a
Age	20
How killed	Shot in the head
State killed	California
County killed	Orange
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 20</b>	
Name	Wilfred Lawrence Faherty
Date killed	08/28/2012
Date body was found	08/28/1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	20
How killed	Shot in the back of the head
State killed	California
City killed	Unknown
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Unknown
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Unknown
<b>Victim 21</b>	
Name	Randall "Randy" Lawrence Moore

Date Killed	August, 1976
Date body was found	10/10/1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	16
How Killed	Shot in head
State Killed	California
City Killed	San Diego
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 22</b>	
Name	Timothy B. Ingham
Date Killed	11/15-24/1976
Date body was found	11/24/1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	19
How killed	Shot in back of head while asleep, remains thrown down a ravine, items given away to friends in Mexico
State killed	California
City killed	Eastbound on 79 towards Indio
Type of target	Street - Hitchhiker
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 23</b>	
Name	David Allen
Date Killed	Fall of 1976
Date body was found	Unknown date, Fall of 1976
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	27
How killed	Shot in the head and left on the side of the road
State killed	California
City killed	Fallbrook
County killed	San Diego
Type of target	White male, Army Comrade
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 24</b>	
Name	Arturo Romos Marquez
Date Killed	2/1977
Date body was found	03/1977 through confession
Gender	Male
Race	Hispanic
Age	24
How killed	Shot and killed, dragged, dismembered
State killed	California
City killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Acquaintance
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 25</b>	
Name	Nicholas "Nicky" Hernandez-Jimenez

Date Killed	Unknown
Date body was found	1/23/1977
Gender	Male
Race	Hispanic
Age	28
How killed	Shot, dismembered, wrapped in trash bags
State killed	California
City killed	Los Angeles
County killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Prostitute
Did killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<b>Victim 26</b>	
Name	John Otis LaMay
Date Killed	03/13/1977
Date body was found	03/18/1977
Gender	Male
Race	White
Age	17
How killed	Shot and killed, dismembered, and wrapped
State killed	California
City killed	Los Angeles
Type of target	Acquaintance
Did the killer confess to this murder?	Yes
Was the killer convicted of this murder?	Yes
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Multiple other victims were unidentified or never found.</li> </ul>	
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