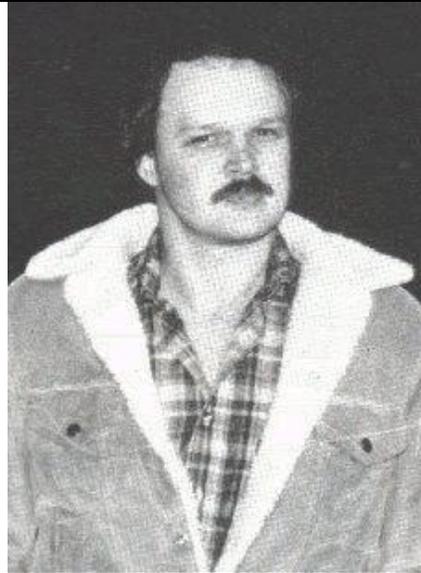


Larry Eyler
"The Highway Killer"



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Date	Age	Life Event
12/21/1952	0	Born in Crawfordsville, Indiana, the youngest sibling out of four.
	Adolescence	Parents divorce, mother later remarries.
	Adolescence	Teased and physically abused by stepfathers.
1970	18	Eyler drops out of high school during his senior year and earns his GED.
1974-1978	22-26	Sporadic enrollment in college throughout these years leaves Eyler without a degree.
08/03/1978	25	Eyler moves to Terre Haute, Indiana.
08/04/1978	25	Eyler is arrested for stabbing Craig Long. Long was hospitalized but lived.
11/13/1978	25	Eyler plead guilty to the aggravated battery of Long and is fined \$43.
10/02/1982	30	Eyler strangles Delvoyd Baker (BM, 14); his body is found dumped on the side of the road north of Indianapolis.
10/23/1982	30	Steven Crockett (WM, 19) is stabbed 32 times with four wounds to the head; Eyler discards his body outside Lowell, Indiana.
11/04/1982	30	21-year old Craig Townsend is drugged and beaten by Eyler near Lowell, Indiana. He escapes and flees from the hospital before detectives could complete their investigation of the assault.
11/04/1982	30	Robert Foley (WM) is found murdered in a field northwest of Joliet, IL. Police have yet to recognize a pattern even after unknowingly speaking with a survivor.
12/25/1982	31	Body of John Johnson (WM, 25) is found dumped in a field outside of Belshaw, Indiana.
12/28/1982	31	Body of John Roach (WM, 21) is discovered near Belleville and body of Steven Agan (WM, 23) is found bound and discarded north of Newport, Indiana.

03/04/1983	31	Edgar Underkofler (WM, 27) is found murdered in Danville, Illinois.
03/21/1983	31	Body of Jay Reynolds (WM, 31) was found on the outskirts of Lexington, Kentucky, stabbed to death.
04/08/1983	31	Gustavo Herrera (HM, 28) is found murdered in Lake Forest, Illinois.
04/15/1983	31	Ervin Dwayne Gibson (WM, 16) is found murdered in Lake Forest, Illinois.
05/09/1983	31	Jimmy T. Roberts (BM, 18) is found murdered in Cook, Illinois and Daniel Scott McNeive (WM, 21) is found murdered Bellville, Indiana.
Summer of 1983	31	Eyler moves to Indianapolis and starts to become a part of the gay community. Shortly after, people start to become suspicious of his behavior. A gay newspaper called The Works set up a hot-line and published a profile of the suspected serial killer, whether the police wanted help or not.
07/02/1983	31	Unidentified male is found murdered in Ford, Illinois.
08/31/1983	31	Ralph Calise (WM, 28) is found bringing Eyler's kill count to 13. Stabbed 17 times, his body was discovered in a field outside of Lake Forest, Illinois with his pants down around his ankles.
09/30/1983	31	An Indiana highway officer sees Eyler's pickup truck parked on the side of Interstate 65. He sees two men moving towards the woods with one of them appearing to be bound. Upon further investigation, the young man accuses Eyler of making homosexual advances and asking if he could tie him up. The police officer searched Eyler's car and found surgical tape, nylon clothesline, and a hunting knife that was stained with human blood. The blood on the knife matched Ralph Calise's. Eyler's tire tracks and boot prints were strikingly like the ones in the field where Calise's body was dumped.
10/01/1983	31	Eyler moves in with his secret lover John Dobrovolskis along with Dobrovolskis' wife and kids.
10/04/1983	31	Derrick Hansen (WM, 18) is found sexually assaulted and dismembered in Kenosha, Wisconsin.
10/06/1983	31	Police search Eyler's car but find no hard evidence.
10/15/1983	31	John Doe is discovered near Rensselear, Indiana.
10/19/1983	31	Four skeletons including 22-year old Michael Bouer and 19-year old John Bartlett are found dumped together, all with their pants down, in Newton County. One of the bodies was decapitated.
Mid October 1983	31	Eyler's family is overwhelmed with shock when they find out that he's a suspect in these murders and could potentially be a serial killer.
Mid October 1983	31	Eyler is arrested in Lake County jail.
10/29/1983	31	A judge refuses to lower Eyler's bond of a million dollars.
11/01/1983	31	Police raid and search the Little's home.
12/05/1983	31	Another John Doe is found dead near Effingham, Illinois.
12/07/1983	31	Richard Wayne and another John Doe are found dead near Indianapolis. By this point, police had enough circumstantial evidence to connect Eyler to 18 murders.
Mid December 1983	31-32	Police finally get in contact with a surviving victim from one of Eyler's attacks, Craig Townsend, who identifies him from a line-up.
Mid December 1983	31-32	Police begin following Eyler everywhere. He takes out a lawsuit against them for psychological warfare to get \$500,000. His attempts fail and instead he is arrested for the murder of Ralph Calise.
02/01/1984	32	Eyler is released on bond awaiting further trials when the judge throws out the case, ruling the police obtained evidence illegally.
05/07/1984	32	David M. Block (WM, 22) is found murdered in Lake Forest, Illinois.
08/21/1984	32	The janitor that works where Eyler lives is lead by his dog to a collection of 8 trash bags. Police are called and upon opening of the bags, they found what

		was left of Danny Bridges (WM, 15). Eyler is arrested.
09/13/1984	32	Eyler finally goes to trial.
07/01/1986	33	Doctor Little is called as the first witness to Eyler's trial.
07/10/1986	33	Eyler is found guilty of murdering Daniel Bridges
10/03/1986	33	Judge Urso sentences Eyler to death by lethal injection.
06/12/1988	35	Eyler is on death row at Pontiac Prison awaiting his appeal in the Illinois Supreme Court.
11/21/1990	37	Eyler was willing to confess, provide more information on unknown murders and even testify against Doctor Little if he was given a fixed sentence of 60 years instead of the death penalty. The state refused.
12/08/1990	37	Doctor Little's office is raided at Indiana State University. He is brought in for questioning but when his lawyer doesn't show up, he is let go because Police wanted to avoid constitutional problems. He remains a free man.
03/06/1994	41	Eyler avoids the death penalty by passing away from an AIDS related disease.
03/08/1994	41	Eyler's attorney, Kathleen Zellner, holds a news conference to announce that Eyler signed a written confession that he killed 21 people. The confession could not be released until after Eyler's death.

General Information

Sex	Male
Race	White
Number of victims	Numbers vary from 20-23, exact number unknown
Country where killing occurred	United States
States where killing occurred	Kentucky, Ohio, Indiana, Wisconsin, Illinois
Cities where killing occurred	Lexington, Unknown, Lowell, Newport, Belshaw, Rensselaer, Kenosha, Lake Forest, Effingham, Zion
Type of killer	Organized Lust
Height	6'

Childhood Information

Date of birth	December 21, 1952
Location	Crawfordsville, Indiana
Birth order	Last of fourth
Number of siblings	3
XYX?	No
Raised by	Mother and Step-fathers, later by other families
Birth category	Youngest
Parent's marital status	Divorced, Mother re-married several times
Family event	Divorce, physical abuse
Age of family event	Adolescence
Problems in school?	Dropped out senior year, trouble maker in school
Teased while in school?	No
Physically attractive?	Yes
Physical defect?	No
Speech defect?	No
Head injury?	No
Physically abused?	Beaten by many of his step-fathers throughout his childhood
Psychologically abused?	Step-fathers teased him, internal war dealing with his homosexuality, Mother's abandonment
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Employment unknown
Age of first sexual experience	N/A
Age when first had intercourse	N/A
Mother's occupation	N/A

Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	No
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	11
Highest degree	GED
Grades in school	N/A
IQ	N/A
Source of IQ information	N/A
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?	No
Types of jobs worked	In different cities: Taught library science during college, one of the most popular workers at the Equal Employment Opportunities Commission, Elf at holiday party, house painter, liquor store clerk, other odd holiday jobs
Employment status during series	Employed
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Homosexual
Marital status	Single
Number of children	0
Lives with his children	No
Living with	Lived with Mom and stepfathers, lived with college library science professor Dr. Burke, lived with a friend in Terre Haute, Indiana, lived with his lover and his lover's wife and children
Triad	
Animal torture	No
Fire setting	No
Bed wetting	No
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	No
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	No
Time in forensic hospital?	No
Diagnosis	N/A
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	No
Spend time in jail?	Yes
Spend time in prison?	Yes
Killed prior to series? Age?	No
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	23
Victim type	Teenage to young adult males
Killer age at start of series	30

Date of first kill in series	March 22, 1982; Jay Reynolds, stabbed to death outside of Lexington, Kentucky
Date of final kill in series	May 7, 1984; David Block, found murdered near Zion, Illinois with wounds matching previous victims
Gender of victims	Male
Race of victims	18 White, 2 Black, 1 Hispanic
Age of victims	14, 16, 18(2), 19(2), 21(2), 22, 25, 26, 27, 28(2)
Type of victim	Most were homosexual males
Method of killing	Stabbing and strangling
Weapon	Knife brought with the killer
Was gun used?	No
Type	N/A
Did killer have a partner?	Believed to have an accomplice that remains a free man
Name of partner	Robert Little
Sex of partner	Male
Type of serial killer	Organized lust
How close did killer live?	Victims were chosen locally, but Eyler drove from one state to another
Location of first contact	Lexington, Kentucky
Location of killing	Outskirts of Lexington, Kentucky
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No
Victim abducted or killed at contact?	Charged with Aggravated Kidnapping; Some victims were voluntarily lured into abduction; Eyler used his charm to get his victims alone with him and then he forcefully had his way with them
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Yes
Tortured victims?	Yes
Stalked victims?	No
Overkill?	Yes
Quick & efficient?	No
Used blindfold?	No
Bound the victims?	Yes
After Death Behavior	
Sex with the body?	No
Mutilated body?	Yes
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	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	No
Moved, buried	Yes; victims were put in trash bags and thrown into dumpsters or dumped along the highway or an inconspicuous area
Cut-up and disposed of	Yes
Moved, too home	No
Sentencing	

Date killer arrested	First arrest for the murder of Calise but let go due to illegally obtained evidence: September 31, 1983; Second arrest for the murder of 15-year old Danny Bridges, a street hustler in Chicago, Illinois: August 21, 1984
Date convicted	July 9, 1986
Sentence	Death by lethal injection
Killer executed?	No, died before in prison from AIDS
Did killer plead NGRI?	No
Was the NGRI plea successful?	N/A
Name and state of prison	Pontiac Prison, Illinois
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	March 6, 1994
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