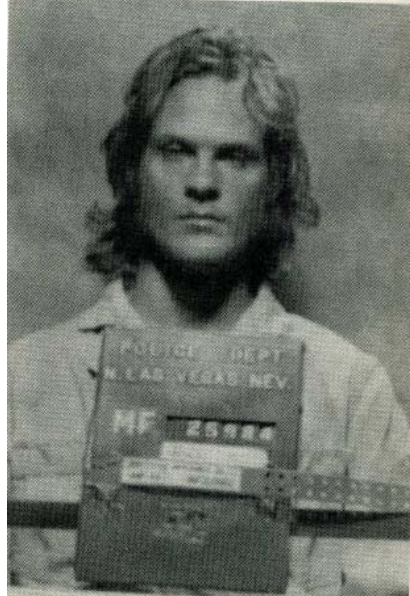


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“Michael Dee Mattson”



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Date	Age	Life Event
07/23/1953	0	Born in Utah
During Childhood	-	Was physically abused by father
	-	Saw his mother physically abused by first husband
	-	Father called him names such as ‘weakling’, ‘sissy’ frequently and openly
	-	Routinely set fires in his neighborhood, house, school
	-	Tortured neighbor’s pigeons by tearing heads off (other animals too, but not mentioned)
1959	6	Mattson’s parents divorce
1959	6	Mother and stepfather (last name Mattson) take him to see psychiatrist
1959	6	Psychiatrist says that he might be responding to the type of behavior that he was witnessing at home
During Childhood	-	Stepfather also reportedly abused him and called him names
	-	Frequently got into fights with other students and kids, was a bully
Childhood to Teens	-	Mattson frequently stole mother’s apparel and wore around house and in yard
About 1965	12	Took five year-old boy into woods, beat him, stripped him, made him consume dirt/garbage, and used a broomstick handle to sodomize the child. Made the kid walk back naked.
About 1965	12-16	Mattson begins taking/using drugs such as angel dust (PCP), sleeping pills, marijuana, LSD, and drinking alcohol more frequently
-	12+	Drank up to a case of beer daily and used drugs frequently (almost daily)

	17	Mattson enters the army, stationed in Oregon, then goes AWOL
08/01/1971	17	Mattson hitchhikes with a Jeanette and brother Joe Kors. Pulls a knife on the pair and forces Joe to get out of the car. Continued to kidnap, rape, and rob Jeanette. He received a two-year prison term for this crime.
-	17	During incarceration, Dr. Vicary reaches the conclusion that Mattson suffers from a mental illness.
1975		Constant PCP user (addict) since 1975
1978		Mattson returns to Southern California, La Mirada from 2 year incarcerated
07/14/1978	24	4 P.M. kidnaps first victim, 9 year old Cheryl Gutierrez, Killed
07/20/1978	24	2 nd kill, 16 year old Deanna Musquiz
(months later)		Confesses to, but later recants, murder of Deanna
July 1979		Arraigned and entered a plea of not guilty to all accounts (13, including: rape, sodomy, kidnapping, and murder)
07/25/1979	26	Mattson relocated to California for trial
September 1979	26	Court appointed Psychiatrist Dr. Alfred Cooley to determine mental fitness of Mattson for trial
09/06/1979	26	16-year-old Adele Jean Corradini becomes Mattson's next victim
October 1979	26	Two psychologists examined him to see if he was fit for trial
10/30/1979	26	Mattson additionally pleaded NGRI, but recanted later
11/09/1979		Body of Adele found
-		During this time we assume Mattson is in and out of prison, for hearings, sentencing, interrogations, etc.
January 1980		Convicted for rape and kidnapping of Sonia
10/22/1984	31	Reversal of Mattson's conviction
12/10/1985	32	Re-tried in Norwalk Supreme Court
02/07/1986	32	Sentenced to death in the gas chamber
05/03/1990	36	California Supreme Court affirmed his conviction for death sentence which was his second appeal
06/28/1996	42	Mattson filed his second amended petition to the U.S. District Court, Central District of California
11/28/2007	54	Mattson's appeal (habeas corpus) denied, paving his way to the gas chamber
11/20/2008		Sitting on death row, awaiting his last meal

General Information

Sex	Male
Race	White
Number of victims	5 official victims (excluding the hitchhike victims and the five year old boy)
Country where killing occurred	United States
States where killing occurred	California; Nevada; Oregon
Cities where killing occurred	La Mirada, CA; Hemet, CA; Huntington, CA (others unknown)
Type of killer	Disorganized thrill
Height	Unknown

Childhood Information

Date of birth	July 23, 1953
Location	Utah
Birth order	Assuming first of four
Number of siblings	3 (William, Robert, and Barbara)
XYX?	Unknown
Raised by	Both parents, mother mainly (father and stepfather)

	definitely influenced his behavior)
Birth category	One of four from we are assuming from both marriages
Parent's marital status	Mother married twice, divorced once
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?	Yes, grandparents later in life
Did serial killer live with a step-parent?	Yes, about 10-12 years
Family event	Divorce or mother, physical abuse being seen by Mattson, emotional abuse from both father figures
Age of family event	Divorced by six
Problems in school?	Bullying, set fires, and causing classroom trouble, hitting kids, sticking with pins
Teased while in school?	Yes, called names like 'sissy', etc.
Physically attractive?	Unknown, possibly
Physical defect?	Unknown
Speech defect?	None
Head injury?	Not known
Physically abused?	Not Known, mentioned by Mattson but not proved
Psychologically abused?	Yes, drug usage, fathers' abuse, alcoholism
Sexually abused?	Not Known, mentioned but not proved
Father's occupation	Unknown, Drunk
Age of first sexual experience	Unknown, teens, intercourse with horses frequently
Age when first had intercourse	Unknown (probably around the age of 12)
Mother's occupation	Unknown
Father abused drugs/alcohol	Alcohol, Drugs unknown
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	Unknown
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	Unknown
Highest degree	None – dropped out of high school
Grades in school	
IQ	
Work History	
Served in the military?	Yes
Branch	Army
Type of discharge	AWOL
Saw combat duty	Unknown
Killed enemy during service?	Unknown
Applied for job as a cop?	No
Worked in law enforcement?	No
Fired from jobs?	
Types of jobs worked	
Employment status during series	Unemployed, not mentioned
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Bisexual—sexual identity crisis
Marital status	Single
Number of children	None that we are aware of
Lives with his children	
Living with	Self
Triad	
Animal torture	Yes, pigeons
Fire setting	Yes

Bed wetting	Unknown
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	Yes, PCP, LSD, sleeping pills, marijuana, barbiturates
Abused alcohol?	Yes, a lot
Been to a psychologist (prior to killing)?	Yes, one, unknown name
Time in forensic hospital (prior to killing)?	Unknown, none
Diagnosis	He might be responding to the type of behavior that he was witnessing at home
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	yes
Spend time in jail?	All together, a little over two years
Spend time in prison?	An estimate of about thirty years
Killed prior to series? Age?	Pigeons in teens, no humans
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	Five (3 murdered, 2 survived/escaped)
Victim type	Young females, adolescent females
Killer age at start of series	24
Date of first kill in series	From book: August 11, 1978, From online source: July 14, 1978
Date of final victim in series	September 20, 1978
Gender of victims	Females
Race of victims	African-American, Caucasian, Latino
Age of victims	9, 15, 16, 16, 20
Type of victim	Random females
Method of killing	Strangulation
Weapon	Hands, used victims clothing, had rope on one occasion, used a knife in the kidnapping of Jeanette, use of rock
Was gun used?	No
Type	
Did killer have a partner?	No
Name of partner	
Sex of partner	
Relationship of partner	
Type of serial killer	Disorganized thrill
How close did killer live?	Walking distance, drove to crime (MOSTLY DROVE)
Location of first contact	At a public pool in southern CA
Location of killing	In the woods, located near the pool
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No
Victim abducted or killed at contact?	Abducted
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Yes
Tortured victims?	Yes, with strangulation, rape, abuse
Stalked victims?	No
Overkill?	No
Quick & efficient?	Yes
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	No
Robbed victim or location	No, but robbed the Kors (did not kill them)
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	No
Left at scene, hidden	Yes – leaves placed over body, in ditches
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	
Date killer arrested	September 21, 1978
Date convicted	Sometime in 1979
Sentence	Death, life in prison or gas chamber
Killer executed?	No
Did killer plead NGRI?	Yes, in one trial, then declined
Was the NGRI plea successful?	No
Did serial killer confess?	Yes, confessed after conviction, then recanted
Name and state of prison	One in Nevada, one in California (San Quentin's Death Row)
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	To be continued....

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