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The Victim's Song Sep 27 2019 The author describes the murder of her twenty-two-year-old son, Eric, and the trial of his murderers, and discusses the death penalty, crime in New York, and the criminal justice system

The Murderer's Son Aug 31 2022 Twenty years ago: a farmer and his wife are cut to pieces by a ruthless serial killer. Now: a woman is viciously stabbed to death in the upmarket kitchen of her beautiful house on the edge of the marshes. Then a man called Daniel Kinder walks into Saltern police station and confesses to the murder. But DI Rowan Jackman and DS Marie Evans of the Fenland Constabulary soon discover that there is a lot more to Daniel than meets the eye. He has no memory of the first five years of his life and is obsessed with who his real mother is. With no evidence to hold him, Jackman and Evans are forced to let him go, and in a matter of days the lonely Lincolnshire Fens become the stage for more killings and Daniel has disappeared. In a breathtaking finale, the truth about Daniel's mother comes to light and DI Jackman and DS Evans race against time to stop more lives being destroyed.

Fatal Journey Jul 18 2021 A mother's story of her extraordinary efforts to get justice for her murdered son. On 8 August 1987, the body of nineteen-year old Trevor O'Keeffe was discovered in France. The young hitchhiker had unwittingly strayed into the hunting ground of a serial killer. Since 1980, seven young men had disappeared in the 'Triangle of Death' around Mourmelon military camp. A year after Trevor's murder, chief adjutant Pierre Chanal

was stopped by police, who found a Hungarian hitchhiker bound and gagged in the back of his van. In 1990 Chanal was convicted of abduction and rape. He was released from prison in 1995. What about her son, Eroline O'Keeffe wanted to know, and those other sons who had disappeared? Although everything pointed to Chanal as the perpetrator, the French justice system and the military seemed uninterested in pursuing the cases. She set about a relentless, sixteen-year-pursuit of Chanal. She harried the authorities and overcame deliberate obstruction, language barriers and judicial bungling, until, finally, in October 2003, she sat in the courtroom in Marnes for the start of the trial of Chanal for the murder of Trevor. Would she get justice so long denied her?

Who Killed My Father Mar 26 2022 This bracing new nonfiction book by the young superstar Édouard Louis is both a searing j'accuse of the viciously entrenched French class system and a wrenchingly tender love letter to his father This bracing new nonfiction book by the young superstar Édouard Louis is both a searing j'accuse of the viciously entrenched French class system and a wrenchingly tender love letter to his father. Who Killed My Father rips into France's long neglect of the working class and its overt contempt for the poor, accusing the complacent French—at the minimum—of negligent homicide. The author goes to visit the ugly gray town of his childhood to see his dying father, barely fifty years old, who can hardly walk or breathe: "You belong to the category of humans whom politics consigns to an early death." It's as simple as that. But hand in hand with searing, specific denunciations are tender passages of a love between father and son, once damaged by shame, poverty and homophobia. Yet tenderness reconciles them, even as the state is killing off his father. Louis goes after the French system with bare knuckles but turns to his long-alienated father with open arms: this passionate combination makes Who Killed My Father a heartbreaking book.

Ghettoside Nov 09 2020 NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER •

NAMED ONE OF THE TEN BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE, USA TODAY, AND CHICAGO TRIBUNE • A masterly work of literary journalism about a senseless murder, a relentless detective, and the great plague of homicide in America NATIONAL BOOK CRITICS CIRCLE AWARD FINALIST • NAMED ONE OF THE BEST BOOKS OF THE YEAR BY The New York Times Book Review • The Washington Post • The Boston Globe • The Economist • The Globe and Mail • BookPage • Kirkus Reviews

On a warm spring evening in South Los Angeles, a young man is shot and killed on a sidewalk minutes away from his home, one of the thousands of black Americans murdered that year. His assailant runs down the street, jumps into an SUV, and vanishes, hoping to join the scores of killers in American cities who are never arrested for their crimes. But as soon as the case is assigned to Detective John Skaggs, the odds shift. Here is the kaleidoscopic story of the quintessential, but mostly ignored, American murder—a “ghettoside” killing, one young black man slaying another—and a brilliant and driven cadre of detectives whose creed is to pursue justice for forgotten victims at all costs. *Ghettoside* is a fast-paced narrative of a devastating crime, an intimate portrait of detectives and a community bonded in tragedy, and a surprising new lens into the great subject of why murder happens in our cities—and how the epidemic of killings might yet be stopped. Praise for *Ghettoside* “A serious and kaleidoscopic achievement . . . [Jill Leovy is] a crisp writer with a crisp mind and the ability to boil entire skies of information into hard journalistic rain.”—Dwight Garner, *The New York Times* “Masterful . . . gritty reporting that matches the police work behind it.”—*Los Angeles Times* “Moving and engrossing.”—*San Francisco Chronicle* “Penetrating and heartbreaking . . . *Ghettoside* points out how relatively little America has cared even as recently as the last decade about the value of young black men’s lives.”—*USA Today* “Functions both as a snappy police procedural and—more

significantly—as a searing indictment of legal neglect . . . Leovy’s powerful testimony demands respectful attention.”—The Boston Globe

Life Interrupted Oct 09 2020 I have learned a few lessons since Kourt's death. One, death is not negotiable. Once someone has entered the realm of death, they totally cross over, they are gone. That lesson has been the most difficult for me to accept. For the first time, I was unable to help Kourtney with a problem. There was no phone call I could make - nothing I could do for him. I felt like I had failed him. I was not there to protect him. On the night of June 11, 2007, death took on a whole new meaning for Karen Lynne Duffie, a Michigan mother of three. That's the night her twenty-two-year-old son, Kourtney, was murdered. In this memoir, Duffie provides a personal look into her day-to-day struggles, thoughts, and activities after her first-born child's death. Through journal entries, Duffie tells her emotional and heart-wrenching story of loss, grief, and recovery. A raw and captivating narrative, *Life Interrupted* reveals this mother's innermost thoughts and feelings. By sharing this memoir, Duffie provides grief support to others facing the death of a loved one. The story serves as a beacon of enlightenment, inspiration, and hope for the future.

Stabbed in the Heart Aug 19 2021 Lynn and Nancy...Two courageous women share their heartbreaking stories of the murders of their only children, Randi, 28, stabbed to death by a hit man hired by her husband in 2003. Jen and Dave, 10 and 8, stabbed to death by their father on Christmas Day 1994. Walk with these two devastated women as they experience the worst day of their lives and ponder their futures as mothers without children. The stories are heartfelt, powerful and, at times, difficult to read. Somehow from the depths of their despair, they uncovered the focus, drive, and commitment to helping others that is their gift back to their children. Their message is geared towards victims, survivors, media, clergy, family, friends, and the community. Through the power of their stories, understand

the impact of crime, the stages of grief, the struggles they endured on their unique journeys, and the importance of families and friends. Be prepared to walk away feeling inspired.

Pure Evil - How Tracie Andrews murdered my son, deceived the nation and sentenced me to a life of pain and misery Oct 01 2022

Maureen Harvey lives in Kings Norton, Birmingham with her husband Ray. They have a daughter, Michelle, and three grandchildren Danielle, Paige, and Jordan. Since their son Lee was murdered by Tracie Andrews in December 1996, they have campaigned tirelessly to ensure that those convicted of murder serve their full prison tariff. Maureen's book is based on the diary she began writing after Lee's death and is a frank account of the emotional journey she and her family have taken during the last decade. It is a unique testimony which she hopes will serve not only as a tribute to Lee but as an inspiration to bereaved parents everywhere.

Defending Jacob Oct 21 2021 Assistant district attorney Andy Barber finds his marriage and the rest of his life falling apart as he tries to defend his 14-year-old son, who is accused of murdering a fellow student. Reprint. 600,000 first printing.

The Meaning of Matthew Feb 22 2022 “The Meaning of Matthew is Judy Shepard’s passionate and courageous attempt to understand what no mother should have to understand, which is why her son was murdered in Laramie, Wyoming, in the fall of 1998. It is a vivid testimony to a life cut short, and testimony too, to the bravery and compassion of Judy and Dennis—Matthew’s parents—as they struggle to survive a grief that won’t go away.”—Larry McMurty, author of *Terms of Endearment* and *Lonesome Dove* Today the name Matthew Shepard is synonymous with gay rights, but until 1998, he was just Judy Shepard’s son. In this remarkably candid memoir, Judy Shepard shares the story behind the headlines. Interweaving memories of Matthew and her family with the challenges of confronting her son’s death, Judy describes how she

handled the crippling loss of her child in the public eye, the vigils and protests held by strangers in her son's name, and ultimately how she and her husband gained the courage to help prosecutors convict her son's murderers. *The Meaning of Matthew* is more than a retelling of horrific injustice that brought the reality of inequality and homophobia into the American consciousness. It is an unforgettable and inspiring account of how one ordinary woman turned an unthinkable tragedy into a vital message for the world.

A Death in White Bear Lake Oct 28 2019 A mother's search for the son she gave up uncovers terrifying secrets in a Minnesota town in this "masterfully depicted true-crime tale" (Publishers Weekly). In 1962, Jerry Sherwood gave up her newborn son, Dennis, for adoption. Twenty years later, she set out to find him—only to discover he had died before his fourth birthday. The immediate cause was peritonitis, but the coroner had never decided the mode of death, writing "deferred" rather than indicate accident, natural causes, or homicide. This he did even though the autopsy photos showed Dennis covered from head to toe in ugly bruises, his clenched fists and twisted facial expression suggesting he had died writhing in pain. Harold and Lois Jurgens, a middle-class, churchgoing couple in picturesque White Bear Lake, Minnesota, had adopted Dennis and five other foster children. To all appearances, they were a normal midwestern family, but Jerry suspected that something sinister had happened in the Jurgens household. She demanded to know the truth about her son's death. Why did authorities dismiss evidence that marked Dennis as an endangered child? Could Lois Jurgens's brother, a local police lieutenant, have interfered in the investigation? And most disturbing of all, why had so many people who'd witnessed Lois's brutal treatment of her children stay silent for so long? Determined to find answers, local detectives and prosecutors rebuilt the case brick by brick, finally exposing the shocking truth behind a nightmare in suburbia. A finalist for the Edgar Award, *A Death in White Bear Lake* is "a

distinguished entry in the annals of crime documentary,” and a vivid portrait of the all-American town that harbored a sadistic killer (The Washington Post).

Mommy's Little Angels May 28 2022 The story of Diane Lumbrera, who murdered her own six children and the child of a relative, uncovers the facts about the case, revealing those who allowed her to go free and those who finally brought her to justice. Original.

Hush Little Babies Nov 29 2019 A killing so brutal it shocked the police and left the nation grieving, *Hush Little Babies* is the appalling true story of Darlie Routier, the neighborhood's most wonderful mom, who one night, coldly, calculatingly and brutally stabbed her two sons and watched them die in a pool of their own blood... Darlie claimed an intruder has come through the window, fatally stabbed her sons, six-year-old Devon and five-year-old Damon, slashed her throat with same knife, then fled, while her husband and infant son slept upstairs. At first Darlie's heartfelt testimony evoked fear and sympathy in her safe Dallas community. Then police became suspicious after these troubling questions were raised: Why, according to a police report, didn't Darlie make any attempt to help her dying sons? Why, when she called 911, did she tell the dispatcher that her own fingerprints would be on the murderer's knife because she had picked it up? Why did the trail of blood left behind contradict Darlie's testimony? From the dark forces that drove her to kill her own flesh and blood, to the evidence that snared her in her own twisted web, here is a chilling account of homemaker, loving wife, mother of three, and cold-blooded killer--Darlie Routier.

Murder by Family Jul 30 2022 This is the tragic story of Kent Whitaker's heart-wrenching journey toward forgiveness and faith after the brutal murder of his wife and one of his sons. Straight from the headlines comes an incredible true story of a son's treachery. For the first time, readers are offered inside access to the emotional drama that went on behind the scenes. At the core is the remarkable

healing power of forgiveness, demonstrated by Kent Whitaker, which shows how the survivors of such atrocious events can still forgive those who have permanently damaged their lives. One evening, the Whitaker family returned home after dinner, celebrating a son's impending graduation from college. On opening the front door, they faced a gunman lying in wait. The gunman opened fire, instantly killing the younger son and Kent's wife, leaving Kent and his older son lying wounded until police and ambulances arrived. While recovering in the hospital, Kent resolved in his heart to forgive whoever was responsible for the deaths of his wife and son. Over the next few weeks, it was discovered that the whole murder plot had been orchestrated by the surviving son -- whom Kent had unknowingly forgiven. After a trial that resulted in a death sentence for his son, Kent emerged from this harrowing ordeal to share their astonishing journey toward forgiveness and redemption.

[A Guide for Murdered Children](#) Nov 02 2022 "In her astonishing thriller, Sarah Sparrow has joined the ranks of Shirley Jackson and Stephen King. A warning: there is no safe place to read this book." –David Cronenberg Terrifying, thoroughly original and hauntingly written, *A Guide for Murdered Children* is a psychological thriller—and otherworldly surprise. We've heard it said that there is no justice in this world. But what if there really was? What if the souls of murdered children were able to briefly return, inhabit adult bodies and wreak revenge on the monstrous killers who stole their lives? Such is the unthinkable mystery confronting ex-NYPD detective Willow Wylde, fresh out of rehab and finally able to find a job running a Cold Case squad in suburban Detroit. When the two rookie cops assigned to him take an obsessive interest in a decades-old disappearance of a brother and sister, Willow begins to suspect something out of the ordinary is afoot. And when he uncovers a series of church basement AA-type meetings made up of the slain innocents, a new way of looking at life, death, murder—and missed

opportunities—is revealed to him. Mystical, harrowing and powerfully moving, *A Guide for Murdered Children* is a genre-busting, mind-bending twist on the fine line between the ordinary... and the unfathomable.

For the Sins of My Father Jun 24 2019 A suspenseful, emotionally charged real-life Sopranos: The son of New York's most notorious Mafia killer reveals the conflicted life he led being raised by a cold-blooded murderer, who was also a devoted family man, and the wrenching legacy of Mafia family life. Al DeMeo will never forget the day in 1992 when a coworker, a fellow trader at the New York Stock Exchange, taunted him with a copy of the hot new book *Murder Machine*, chronicling the horrific criminal life of DeMeo's father, Roy, the head of the most deadly gang in organized crime. The moment sent DeMeo into a psychological tailspin: How could he have spent his life looking up to, and loving, a vicious killer? *For the Sins of My Father* recounts the chilling rise and fall of the man who led the Gambino family's most fearsome killers and thieves, through the eyes of a son who had never known any other kind of life. Coming of age in an opulent Long Island house where money is abundant but its source is unclear, Al becomes Roy's confidant, sent to call in loans at age fourteen and gradually coming to understand his father's job description--loan shark, car thief, porn purveyor and, above all, murderer. But when Al is seventeen, Roy's body is found in the trunk of a car, a gangland slaying that places Al between federal prosecutors seeking his testimony and a mob crew determined to keep him quiet. Desperate to abide by the father-son bond, but equally determined to escape his father's dangerous and doomed life, Al Demeo embarks on a courageous quest for the truth, reconciliation, and honor. With the implacable narrative drive of a thriller and the power of a painfully honest memoir, *For the Sins of My Father* presents a startling and unprecedented perspective on the underworld of organized crime, exposing for the first time the cruel legacy of a Mafia life.

Lies Told Under Oath Dec 31 2019 In 1912, a prosperous Illinois farm family Charles; his wife, Mathilda; their fifteen-year-old daughter, Blanche; and boarding schoolteacher Emma Kaempfen were brutally murdered, the crime concealed by arson, and the family's surviving son, handsome Ray Pfanschmidt, arrested. He was convicted by the press long before trial. In *Lies Told Under Oath*, author Beth Lane retells the story of the murders, the trial, the verdict, and the aftermath. Using information culled from actual trial transcripts and newspaper accounts, Lane presents the day-to-day testimony as Ray's battle for his life surged through three courtroom dramas complicated by brilliant attorneys, allegations of perjury, charges of rigged evidence, jailhouse informants, legal loopholes, conflict over the large estate being inherited by the alleged murderer, and appeals to the state supreme court. The remaining family became divided over Ray's guilt while his fiancée staunchly stood by him. *Lies Told Under Oath* provides a fascinating, historical account of the times and the people when science was in its infancy, telephones meant shared party lines, bloody evidence was contested (or contrived), and automobiles competed with bloodhounds and buggies. It captures the essence of an emotional crime that rocked this small Illinois community.

Such Good Boys Mar 14 2021 AN ABUSIVE MOTHER Raised in the suburb of Riverside, California, twenty-year-old college student Jason Bautista endured for years his emotionally disturbed mother's verbal and psychological abuse. She even locked him out of the house, tied him up with electrical cord, and on one occasion, gave him a beating that sent him to the emergency room. His fifteen-year-old half brother Matthew Montejo also was a victim to Jane Bautista's dark mood swings and erratic behavior, but for some reason, Jason received the brunt of the abuse—until he decided he'd had enough... **A SON'S REVENGE** On the night of January 14, 2003, Jason strangled his mother. To keep authorities from identifying her body, he chopped off her head and hands, an idea he

claimed he got from watching an episode of the hit TV series "The Sopranos." Matthew would later testify in court that he sat in another room in the house with the TV volume turned up while Jason murdered their mother. He also testified that he drove around with Jason to find a place to dump Jane's torso. **A CRIME THAT WOULD BOND TWO BROTHERS** The morning following the murder, Matthew went to school, and Jason returned to his classes at Cal State San Bernardino. When authorities zeroed in on them, Jason lied and said that Jane had run off with a boyfriend she'd met on the Internet. But when police confronted the boys with overwhelming evidence, Jason confessed all. Now the nightmare was only just beginning for him...

About A Son May 16 2021 As heard on the HOW TO FAIL podcast with Elizabeth Day 'I was utterly floored by the emotional depth of About A Son - a book that reaches so deeply into the human experience that to read it is to be forever changed. It is an unflinching examination of grief, a painstaking deconstruction of injustice and a dispatch from the frontiers of the human heart' Elizabeth Day On the evening of Halloween in 2015, Morgan Hehir was walking with friends close to Nuneaton town centre when they were viciously attacked by a group of strangers. Morgan was stabbed, and died hours later in hospital. He was twenty years old and loved making music with his band, going to the football with his mates, having a laugh; a talented graffiti artist who dreamed of moving away and building a life for himself by the sea. From the moment he heard the news, Morgan's father Colin Hehir began to keep an extraordinary diary. It became a record not only of the immediate aftermath of his son's murder, but also a chronicle of his family's evolving grief, the trial of Morgan's killers, and his personal fight to unravel the lies, mistakes and cover-ups that led to a young man with a history of violence being free to take Morgan's life that night. Inspired by this diary, About a Son is a unique and deeply moving exploration of love and loss and a groundbreaking work of

creative non-fiction. Part true crime, part memoir, it tells the story of a shocking murder, the emotional repercussions, and the failures that enabled it to take place. It shows how grief affects and changes us, and asks what justice means if the truth is not heard. It asks what can be learned, and where we go from here.

Living Among Monsters: Growing Up During the Missing and Murdered Children Ordeal Mar 02 2020 *Living Among Monsters: Growing Up During the Missing and Murdered Children Ordeal* is based on a true story. This book provides details about missing and murdered children in 1970s and 1980s Atlanta, Georgia. It describes what it was like as an African American kid to survive and avoid abduction in order to grow up during those deadly years. During the Jim Crow era the K.K.K. used to rule Georgia with an iron fist. After President Johnson ended the Jim Crow era in 1965, the federal affirmative action law was born. These events and others caused by the A.C.L.U. and the Civil Rights leaders may have woken up the sleeping Klans member, causing them once again act out and used their iron fists to restore the damages that the Civil Rights leaders were destroying.

Gone Boy Nov 21 2021 The father of a murdered eighteen-year-old boy describes the ordeal of his son's death and his research into the culture of violence and incompetence that surrounded the murder. Reprint. 20,000 first printing.

My Journey Home Jan 30 2020 On July 6, 2005 Rhonda's world changed within the few moments of a telephone call. Her oldest son Brandon who was working full time while also a full-time student had been shot point blank in the chest and had died. The whirlwind of pain over the senseless murder sent Rhonda on a voyage of emotions that brought her through various agonizing stages of grief, but it was an underlying, unwavering faith in God that provided her with healing and strength in the face of the most devastating experience a person could live through; the murder of a child. Wanting to share God's unconditional love and healing MY

JOURNEY HOME is a testimony of comfort and endurance that is written to give hope and direction to those who are struggling to make sense of such tragic events, while attempting to put the remaining pieces of their lives back together. Rhonda shares her story with the world praying to contribute to peace where it's needed.

About a Son Dec 23 2021 'The book that everyone will be talking about this year: a staggering work of honesty, empathy and humanity, wholly unlike anything else you will have read' Terri White On the evening of Halloween in 2015, Morgan Hehir was walking with friends close to Nuneaton town centre when they were viciously attacked by a group of strangers. Morgan was stabbed, and died hours later in hospital. He was twenty years old and loved making music with his band, going to the football with his mates, having a laugh; a talented graffiti artist who dreamed of moving away and building a life for himself by the sea. From the moment he heard the news, Morgan's father Colin Hehir began to keep an extraordinary diary. It became a record not only of the immediate aftermath of his son's murder, but also a chronicle of his family's evolving grief, the trial of Morgan's killers, and his personal fight to unravel the lies, mistakes and cover-ups that led to a young man with a history of violence being free to take Morgan's life that night. Inspired by this diary, About a Son is a unique and deeply moving exploration of love and loss and a groundbreaking work of creative non-fiction. Part true crime, part memoir, it tells the story of a shocking murder, the emotional repercussions, and the failures that enabled it to take place. It shows how grief affects and changes us, and asks what justice means if the truth is not heard. It asks what can be learned, and where we go from here.

My Sweet Angel Apr 26 2022 New York Times bestselling crime writer John Glatt tells the true story of Lacey Spears, the mommy blogger obsessed with medicine who poisoned her own son while he was in the hospital.

The Good Son Dec 11 2020 Describes how Andrew Wamsley and his teenaged girlfriend, Chelsea Richardson, plotted to kill Andrew's parents, Rick and Suzanna Wamsley, who disapproved of Chelsea, and from whom Andrew would inherit two million dollars.

Small Sacrifices Sep 19 2021 The story of an Oregon woman convicted of shooting her three children, killing one, in 1983.

How Now, Butterfly? Jul 06 2020 A mother recounts her unthinkable experience after her thirteen-year-old son murders his little sister—and her struggle to emerge from devastation. Losing a young daughter to murder is the worst nightmare that a mother could possibly imagine—but what if the killer was her son? Charity Lee was thrust into this unimaginable situation when her thirteen-year-old son, Paris, murdered her beloved four-year-old daughter, Ella. Charity goes through intense grief at the loss of her daughter, while at the same time trying to understand why her son would have done something as horrific as this, and how she could have missed the signs that Paris was a true psychopath. While barely holding herself together throughout her intense grief, Charity is still a mother and feels a need to advocate for her son to receive appropriate treatment while incarcerated, while at the same time trying to ensure he stays in prison so he can never hurt someone again. Charity still loves her son and craves a connection with him despite all he has done. Because of her experiences, she rebuilds her life and starts a non-profit to help other families of victims, as well as offenders. This book is a meditation on grief, loss, and forgiveness unlike any other. It's also an inspirational story of a true survivor. *How Now, Butterfly?* is a haunting memoir that no reader will soon forget.

The Good Son Apr 02 2020 “Rich and complex, *The Good Son* is a compelling novel about the aftermath of a crime in a small, close-knit community.”—Kristin Hannah, *New York Times* bestselling author From #1 *New York Times* bestselling author Jacquelyn Mitchard comes the gripping, emotionally charged novel of a

mother who must help her son after he is convicted of a devastating crime. What do you do when the person you love best becomes unrecognizable to you? For Thea Demetriou, the answer is both simple and agonizing: you keep loving him somehow. Stefan was just seventeen when he went to prison for the drug-fueled murder of his girlfriend, Belinda. Three years later, he's released to a world that refuses to let him move on. Belinda's mother, once Thea's good friend, galvanizes the community to rally against him to protest in her daughter's memory. The media paints Stefan as a symbol of white privilege and indifferent justice. Neighbors, employers, even some members of Thea's own family turn away. Meanwhile Thea struggles to understand her son. At times, he is still the sweet boy he has always been; at others, he is a young man tormented by guilt and almost broken by his time in prison. But as his efforts to make amends meet escalating resistance and threats, Thea suspects more forces are at play than just community outrage. And if there is so much she never knew about her own son, what other secrets has she yet to uncover—especially about the night Belinda died?

After a Murder Apr 14 2021

Soul Murder Revisited Aug 26 2019 Annotation A decade after the publication of his highly acclaimed book *Soul Murder*, Dr. Leonard Shengold reflects anew on the circumstances and the consequences of willful abuse and neglect of children. With compelling examples from literature and from clinical cases, Dr. Shengold describes techniques of adaptation and denial by victims, the psychopathology of soul murder, and therapy techniques for restoring the capacity to love.

Walking the Bowl Jun 28 2022 For readers of *Behind the Beautiful Forevers* and *Nothing to Envy*, this is a breathtaking real-life story of four street children in contemporary Zambia whose lives are drawn together and forever altered by the mysterious murder of a fellow street child. Based on years of investigative reporting and unprecedented fieldwork, *Walking the Bowl* immerses readers in the

daily lives of four unforgettable characters: Lusabilo, a determined waste picker; Kapula, a burned-out brothel worker; Moonga, a former rock crusher turned beggar; and Timo, an ambitious gang leader. These children navigate the violent and poverty-stricken underworld of Lusaka, one of Africa's fastest growing cities. When the dead body of a ten-year-old boy is discovered under a heap of garbage in Lusaka's largest landfill, a murder investigation quickly heats up due to the influence of the victim's mother and her far-reaching political connections. The children's lives become more closely intertwined as each child engages in a desperate bid for survival against forces they could never have imagined. Gripping and fast-paced, the book exposes the perilous aspects of street life through the eyes of the children who survive, endure and dream there, and what emerges is an ultimately hopeful story about human kindness and how one small good deed, passed on to others, can make a difference in the face of seemingly insurmountable odds.

Every Last One Jun 16 2021 Mary Beth Latham has built her life around her family, around caring for her three teenage children and preserving the rituals of their daily life. When one of her sons becomes depressed, Mary Beth focuses on him, only to be blindsided by a shocking act of violence. What happens afterward is a testament to the power of a woman's love and determination, and to the invisible lines of hope and healing that connect one human being to another. Ultimately, as rendered in Anna Quindlen's mesmerizing prose, *Every Last One* is a novel about facing every last one of the things we fear the most, about finding ways to navigate a road we never intended to travel.

When Dad Killed Mom Feb 10 2021 A brother and sister cope with loss and trauma—and fight to keep what's left of their family together—in a “compelling” novel by a Newbery Honor Medal winner. Jenna and Jeremy knew their parents' marriage was in trouble. That was pretty obvious. But no one who knew the family could have predicted what would come next. One afternoon, Jenna

and Jeremy are pulled from class and given horrifying news: their father, a college psychologist, has just shot their mother to death on a public street. Now, Mom is dead, Dad is in jail, and a fifth-grade boy and his fourteen-year-old sister have a lot to reconcile. Not only grief, anger, confusion, and guilt—but their dad’s motive, the secrets in their mother’s diary, and shifting loyalties that are driving Jenna and Jeremy even further apart. With their fragile new lives in free fall, and their father about to stand trial, they’re now going to have to confront the unimaginable. From an author who has been a finalist for the National Book Award, among numerous other honors, this is “a compelling story suffused with raw and honest emotion” (Kirkus Reviews) and “a taut psychological mystery” (Publishers Weekly).

Who Murdered Elvis? Jun 04 2020 Grab your thinking as we probe every part of Presley's mysterious death, FBI involvement, and the sinister forces at work during the final days of his career. We have been told all the lies for decades, but now it's time to answer some very pointed questions. -Why were the first words out of Vernon Presley's mouth, upon learning of his son's death, "my God, they've murdered my son!?" -Why does Elvis Presley have two death certificates that contradict each other? -How could Elvis have passed two complete physical examinations the week before he died? -How could Codeine show up in his toxicology report when there was no sign of Anaphylaxis in his body? -Are we really expected to believe that the Investigator's photos and notes of the death scene were stolen from his car by coincidence? - Why has history ignored the 1990 television interview where Elvis' doctor not only claimed that Elvis was murdered but named the murderer? This book exposes the massive cover-up that has kept the truth from being told to the public and will change the way you look at Elvis Presley's mysterious death forever. This book will not disappoint you. Can you handle the truth?

When a Child Has Been Murdered Jan 12 2021 "When a Child Has

Been Murdered: Ways You Can Help the Grieving Parents" is a concise, easy- to-read guide that begins with a general discussion of the types of grief that result from death and non-death losses. Then, using statements made by parents whose children were murdered, it discusses the specifics of murdered-child grief including: the complex emotions felt by the grieving parents, how the necessity of interacting with the criminal justice system can alter and enhance these emotions, short- and long-term methods these parents employ to work through the grieving process and to reconstruct their shattered lives, and how anyone who comes in contact with the parents can help them survive their grief.

American Dirt Aug 07 2020 "Extraordinary." --Stephen King "This book is not simply the great American novel; it's the great novel of las Americas. It's the great world novel! This is the international story of our times. Masterful." --Sandra Cisneros También de este lado hay sueños. On this side too, there are dreams. Lydia Quixano Pérez lives in the Mexican city of Acapulco. She runs a bookstore. She has a son, Luca, the love of her life, and a wonderful husband who is a journalist. And while there are cracks beginning to show in Acapulco because of the drug cartels, her life is, by and large, fairly comfortable. Even though she knows they'll never sell, Lydia stocks some of her all-time favorite books in her store. And then one day a man enters the shop to browse and comes up to the register with a few books he would like to buy--two of them her favorites. Javier is erudite. He is charming. And, unbeknownst to Lydia, he is the jefe of the newest drug cartel that has gruesomely taken over the city. When Lydia's husband's tell-all profile of Javier is published, none of their lives will ever be the same. Forced to flee, Lydia and eight-year-old Luca soon find themselves miles and worlds away from their comfortable middle-class existence. Instantly transformed into migrants, Lydia and Luca ride la bestia--trains that make their way north toward the United States, which is the only place Javier's reach doesn't extend. As they join the countless people trying to reach el

norte, Lydia soon sees that everyone is running from something. But what exactly are they running to? *American Dirt* will leave readers utterly changed. It is a literary achievement filled with poignancy, drama, and humanity on every page. It is one of the most important books for our times. Already being hailed as "a *Grapes of Wrath* for our times" and "a new American classic," Jeanine Cummins's *American Dirt* is a rare exploration into the inner hearts of people willing to sacrifice everything for a glimmer of hope.

From Miracle to Murder May 04 2020 Would a mother kill her own child? It seems unfathomable, but it happens all the time. Joyce was a single mother of Anne, a nine-year-old daughter, and Adam, a six-year-old severely disabled son. Adam required constant care. Joyce was on welfare. She wanted more. Was she tired of taking care of her kids? When Adam died, her ex-husband said she was an abusive mother. The babysitter said Joyce brought him a dead child. The coroner said the timing of Adam's death placed him with Joyce, and his little body showed signs of ongoing abuse. How could Child Protective Services, the investigating officers, the district attorney, state psychologists, and a grand jury be wrong? How could anyone believe Joyce didn't murder Adam? *From Miracle to Murder: Justice for Adam* is written in a gripping, this-really-happened style. It is a true crime memoir based on police reports, depositions, court records, a grand jury transcript, criminal trial transcripts, psychologist's written evaluations, eye witness accounts, journals, victim impact statements, different avenues of public media, Adam's autopsy, and haunting memories.

Someone Cry for the Children Jul 26 2019

Sleep, My Child, Forever Jan 24 2022 The dark double life of Ellen Boehm, the mother who murdered her two sons—and nearly killed her daughter. Ellen Boehm, a single mom from St. Louis, Missouri, appeared devoted to her children. But in reality, she was unequipped for motherhood, financially strapped, and desperate. Within a year of each other, her sons, ages two and four, died

mysteriously, and Boehm's eight-year-old daughter then suffered a near-fatal mishap when a hair dryer fell into the girl's bath. While neighbors wondered how Boehm remained so calm through it all, Det. Sgt. Joseph Burgoon of St. Louis Homicide had darker suspicions. Burgoon soon unraveled a labyrinth of deception, greed, and obsession that revealed a cold-blooded killer whose get-rich-quick scheme came at the cost of her children's lives. Boehm had taken out insurance policies on her children with six different companies totaling nearly \$100,000. Using police reports, case documents, and photos, journalist John Coston recreates the events that led to one mother's unspeakable acts of filicide—and a cop's relentless pursuit of the truth.

Who Killed the Son of God? Sep 07 2020 Was the crucifixion the act by which God poured out his wrath on his Son or was it something else? Is God guilty of killing his innocent Son, or should the culpability for Jesus' death be placed elsewhere? Does the atonement reveal an angry God who poured out his hatred, his fierce anger, on his Son? Does the Bible answer these questions? In this short book, we look at the reasons people have historically claimed that God deliberately poured out his wrath on Jesus at the cross, and also why others protest this idea. Just as importantly, we consider how our beliefs about this doctrine can make a great difference to the way we live as we walk with God. By observing how the first disciples talked about the crucifixion, by surveying sacrifice and wrath in the Old Testament, and by examining the Messianic prophecies pertaining to the cross, this book presents the argument that Jesus was indeed our atoning sacrifice for sins, but that he was murdered by a conspiracy of evildoers, not by his Father. Dr. Glenn R. Kreider is Professor of Theological Studies at Dallas Theological Seminary. Dr. Eitan Bar is the media and evangelism leader at ONE FOR ISRAEL Ministry and Israel College of the Bible.