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Innocent children turned ruthless murderers...Hate-filled and deeply disturbed...They kill with cold-blooded savagery...

Nothing was too good for precious Katy-- sports cars, jewelry, designer clothes. Her father, a successful South Florida businessman, could not resist any of her whims. But when he tried to curb her fast-lane lifestyle, she had him shot through the head while he slept.

Behind closed doors of her suburban Chicago home, Nancy Knuckles was a sadistic disciplinarian who, for years, terrorised her four children with religious fanaticism, beatings, and psychological torture, until they finally rebelled with a vengeance. After the oldest daughter strangled mom and stuffed her in a trunk, the kids partied hard, inviting their friends over for booze and rock 'n' roll.

Susan Cabot was a beautiful B-movie queen and obsessive mother. Her son Tim-- born a dwarf-- was pumped full of experimental drugs extracted from cadavers to increase his height. When the ex-film star's badly beaten body was discovered in her Hollywood home, little Timmy claimed she had been killed by men using Ninja methods-- before confessing.

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Mitta Xinindlu says

Brilliantly written. I think parents (community) still have a long way to protect children from self-harm and hurting others. Let's all say NO to all kinds of human abuse.

Christy says

Now don't anyone panic & call the FBI. I picked this book b/c I like true crime. I think some ppl have no regard for the life, safety and/or well being of others and seem to have no moral development or sense of right and wrong, while others don't care. Wonder what gets inside the heads of violent offenders, other than in my opinion of a complete lack of regard and/or no moral development or maybe a lack of it, which still does not excuse violent acts; I've been angry & hurt too, yet I haven't committed a violent act. I. This book provides details of three or four real life stories in which a child or teen murdered his/her parents. It's a scary world we live in, it seems there are more & more angry, violent people. Is there a way we can alter their future before such violent acts occur? Are some people bad by choice or are they just simply born bad? Different specialists, profilers, etc have different views. What's yours?

Patricia Atkinson says

stories of kids that kill their parents or family to gain money or escape abuse.

Ernie says

It was very similar to a vast number of books like this. I read in an earlier review that this is a bland book. I totally agree with this assessment. The material alone got my attention, but it could have been written much better.

Ashley says

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FS: "Parricide, the murder of a parent - or the more specific patricide for the murder of one's father, and matricide for the murder of one's mother - are ugly words for ugly acts."

LS: "But as prisoner C77200, Patty was still insisting that she didn't engineer or participate in the murder of

her family."

Julia says

Although the reading material itself was fascinating, the presentation itself was rather bland. What you really want to know about these crimes and what may have led to them was left out as well as the fact that with some of them the reader should have been able to discover what happened to the "child" who was said to be eligible for parole in no time flat.

The writing was less than average while there were actually a few spots that had mistakes such as the using of the wrong name of a person mentioned. These mostly trivial things helped contributed to a book that was long in the reading if you read from cover-to-cover.

What made these stories a tragedy all in all is the fact that many were said to have come from abusive homes. With the exception of a few we don't know if that was the case or that was the defense trying to either win the jury's pity or the defendant trying to put the accusation elsewhere for as the author continually reminds us only the defendant and the parent actually know but guess what the parent is dead.

For those who may be interested in this genre I would suggest reading one or two stories a bit of the ways and not stories following back-to-back to see if it will pique your interest. Otherwise it will you a beginning step into the world of parricide.

Terralyn says

I am a fan of true crime, and yes..this is a true crime book. The problem is that the author is a very poor writer. I don't like the fact that he interjects with his opinions in ways that make the book seemingly more fiction than not.

The subject matter doesn't freak me out, sad and terrible things happen..but the name of this book would have been better named 'Lousy Author Who Sensationalizes and Makes a Profit Off Abused Kids.' Almost every child talked about in this book came from a horribly abusive background. Does this give them a valid excuse for murdering their parents? I guess that's a subject that is debatable.

I'm glad I paid .50 cents at a book sale for this..it isn't worth any more than that.

Denise Ortiz says

If you love true crime, this is a MUST read.

Esther says

Just read the chapter on the Hollywood recluse bludgeoned by her growth-hormone-addled son. Better than Sunset Boulevard!
