

**John Allen
Muhammad**
*“Beltway Sniper, D.C.
Sniper, Washington Sniper,
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Sniper”*



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Date	Age	Life Event
12-31-1960	0	Born to Ernest Edward Williams and Eva Ferris in New Orleans
	1-3	Mother diagnosed with breast cancer; moves to New Orleans with four other siblings
	3	Eva Ferris, his mother, died of breast cancer
Childhood		Raised by aunts and grandfather
1978		Graduated from Scotlandville High School
August, 1978	17	Enlisted in the Louisiana National Guard until 1985
August, 1982		Court martialled for disobeying orders from non-commission officer; fined \$100 and demoted in rank
1981		Married his first wife, Carol and had one son
August, 1983		Struck a non-commissioned officer in head; fined another \$100 and threatened with 22 days in solitude
	25	Released from the Louisiana National Guard
1985	25	Enlisted in Regular Army. He qualified as an expert with M-16, thus giving highest level of marksmanship for a typical soldier.
1985	25	Divorced 1 st wife, Carol
1988	27	Married his second wife, Mildred and had three kids
1990	29	Served in Persian Gulf War; 84 th Engineer Company
1994-1995		Served in Oregon National Guard
April 26, 1994	33	Honorably discharged on the condition of anonymity. Settled in Tacoma, WA with his family
1995	34	Arrested twice for driving with a suspended license
1997	37	Started a karate school only later to abandon it and his partner
September 9, 1999	38	Muhammad and his second wife are legally separated
December, 1999		Mildred, second wife, filed for divorce
1999		Meets Boyd Lee Malvo who is 14 years old

February 11, 2000	39	Mildred asks Superior Court for Temporary Restraining Order
March 27, 2000	39	Muhammad abducts his three kids by his second wife and takes them to Antigua
April 17, 2000	39	Mildred receives permanent restraining order against Muhammad
October 2, 2002	41	5:20 p.m.: Shots fired at window at Michael's Craft in Maryland. No One Hurt. 6:02 p.m.: Killed James D. Martin, 55, at a Maryland grocery store parking lot.
October 3, 2002	41	7:41 a.m.: Killed James Lee Buchanan, 39, while cutting grass at a Maryland auto dealership 8:12 a.m.: Killed Prem Kumar Walekar, 54, at a Maryland gas station 8:37 a.m.: Killed Sarah Ramos, 34, outside a Maryland post office 9:15 a.m.: Killed Pascal Charlot, 72, while standing on a street in Washington, D.C. 9:58 a.m.: Killed Lori Ann Lewis-Rivera, 25, while vacuuming her van at a Maryland gas station
October 4, 2002	41	2:30 p.m.: 33 year old woman wounded in a Michael's parking lot in Fredericksburg, VA
October 7, 2002	41	8:09 a.m.: Iran Brown, 13, wounded as he is dropped off at school in Bowie, Maryland
October 9, 2002	41	8:15 p.m.: Killed Dean Harold Meyers, 53, at gas station near Manassas, VA
October 11, 2002	41	9:30 a.m.: Wounded Kenneth Bridges, 53, while pumping gas at an Exxon gas station in Massaponax, VA
October 14, 2002	41	9:15 p.m.: Killed Linda Franklin, 47, outside a Home Depot store in Falls Church, VA
October 19, 2002	41	8:00 a.m.: Wounded a man, 37, while leaving a Ponderosa Steakhouse in Ashland, VA
October 22, 2002	41	6:00 a.m.: Killed Conrad Johnson, 35, on a commuter bus in the Aspen Hill area of Montgomery County
October 24, 2002	41	3:19 a.m.: Police arrest John Allen Muhammad and accomplice Lee Boyd Malvo while they are sleeping at a rest stop in Frederick County, MD
October 14, 2003	42	John Allen Muhammad's Trial Opens (Trial held in Virginia Beach for Washington D.C. slayings); Muhammad pleads not guilty
October 17, 2003		Jury for the trial of John Allen Muhammad picked
October 21, 2003		Muhammad moves to act as own counsel
November 17, 2003		Muhammad found guilty on four counts: two counts of capital murder, conspiracy to commit murder, and the use of a firearm in the commission of a felony
November 24, 2003		Jury recommends the death penalty for John Allen Muhammad
March 9, 2004	43	John Allen Muhammad is sentenced to death

General Information

Sex	Male
Race	African-American
Number of victims	13 victims; 10 killed, 3 seriously wounded
Country where killing occurred	United States
States where killing occurred	Virginia, Washington D.C., Maryland, Alabama?
Type of killer	Organized, power seeker
Height	6' 1"

Childhood Information

Date of birth	December 31, 1960
Location	New Orleans, LA
Birth order	First of 5 children

Number of siblings	4
XY?/YY?	N/A
Raised by	Grandfather and author
Birth category	N/A
Parent's marital status	Legally married until mother's death
Family event	Mother died of breast cancer
Age of family event	3
Problems in school?	N/A
Teased while in school?	N/A
Physically attractive?	Average
Physical defect?	None
Speech defect?	None
Head injury?	N/A
Physically abused?	No
Psychologically abused?	No
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Railroad porter
Age of first sexual experience	Teens
Age when first had intercourse	Teens
Mother's occupation	Died when he was 3
Father abused drugs/alcohol	N/A
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	N/A
Cognitive Ability	
Highest grade in school	12
Highest degree	HS Diploma in 1978
Grades in school	N/A
IQ	N/A
Work History	
Served in the military?	Yes
Branch	Louisiana & Oregon National Guard; Regular Army
Type of discharge	Honorable discharge on condition of anonymity
Saw combat duty	1990-1992 served in engineering unit during the Gulf War
Killed enemy during service?	No
Applied for job as a cop?	No
Worked in law enforcement?	National Guard
Fired from jobs?	No
Types of jobs worked	Mechanic, army engineer
Employment status during series	Unemployed/self-employed/odd jobs
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Heterosexual
Marital status	Married twice; divorced twice
Number of children	4
Lives with his children	No
Living with	Lived with accomplice Malvo during killings
Triad	
Animal torture	No
Fire setting	No
Bed wetting	No
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	No
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	Yes, for trial

Time in forensic hospital?	No
Diagnosis	Diagnosed as angry, depressed, and not sleeping
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	Yes
Spend time in jail?	No
Spend time in prison?	No
Killed prior to series? Age?	Strongly suspected in several killings WA and AL
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	13
Victim type	Randomly selected
Killer age at start of series	41
Gender of victims	Male and female
Race of victims	Various races
Age of victims	55, 39, 54,34,25, 72,43,13,53,53,47,unknown, unknown
Method of killing	Shooting, always occurring near freeway accesses
Type of serial killer	Organized power seekers
How close did killer live?	Drove to crime
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No
Weapon	Killer brought with him; Bushmaster XM-15 semiautomatic .223 caliber rifle
Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	No
Tortured victims?	No
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
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	Yes
Left at scene, hidden	No
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	October 24, 2002
Date convicted	November 17, 2003
Sentence	Death
Killer executed?	No
Did killer plead NGRI?	No

Was the NGRI plea successful?	No
Name and state of prison	Still being tried in various localities
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	No
Date of death	N/A

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