

Harvey Glatman

“Glamour Girl Slayer”



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Date	Age	Life Event
December 10, 1927	0	Harvey was born in the Bronx, New York to Ophelia and Albert Glatman, a Jewish couple
1930	3	Harvey was committing a crude form of sado-masochism (he tied a string around his penis and placed the loose end in a drawer and then leaned back against the string.)
1931	4	His favorite past time was tying a rope around his neck, looping the free end over a pipe or rafter and yanking the rope with one hand while masturbating with the other.
1932	5	Tonsils and adenoids removed. Mother describes him as a healthy and normal child with usual childhood sicknesses
1938	11	Parents came home to find his neck swollen and rope burned. They move to Denver, CO. His father caught him masturbating and he warned him that it caused acne. Convinced that he was “queer” because he masturbated
1939	12	Harvey entered junior high school. Children continued to make fun of him for his acne, buckteeth, and overdeveloped ears. Harvey feared girls; he turned red and felt inadequate when he was around them. Began breaking and entering of private residences. He would take something, anything from each residence. He took a .26 caliber handgun from one home. He would sometimes follow a woman home, force her into her

		bedroom, and gagged her with a cloth, while tying her arms with his rope. He also unbuttoned their shirts and skirts and fondled them. He became more comfortable with touching women. In March, Harvey graduated from Junior High. Transferred to Grove Junior High.
1940	12	Starts bondage games-favorite method is tying a rope around his neck, getting in to the bathtub while choking himself, climbs into the attic and strings himself from the rafters. Went to a psychiatrist, given pills.
1942	15	Begins high school, above average student, not very athletic. Involved in Boy Scouts, music, photography, becomes a delivery boy.
1944	17	Begins creeping around apartments, stole a .38 revolver. Begins stopping females on the street by threatening them with his gun. Began partially disrobing them. Took money from one girl.
May 18,1945	17	Police caught him in the act of breaking into an apartment of Elma Hamum through a window. In his pockets, they found a length of rope and .25-caliber pistol. While under interrogation he confessed to a number of burglaries but left out the ones with forced sex.
May 21,1945	17	Charged with first degree robbery-parents posted bail
June 18, 1945	17	He abducted a well-built woman, Noreen Laurel, from her neighborhood and after binding her, he drover her out of town to Sunshine canyon. He touched her but no rape. He then returned her home. She went to the police where she looked at a series of mug shots and identified him. He was re-arrested and this times no bail pending. Graduates from high school in the upper one-seventh of his class.
August 1945	17	Dr. Hilton diagnosed Harvey as schizophrenic or at that time, split personality. Described as sullen, morose, and disrespectful. Felt everyone was against him.
September 1945	17	Arrested, no charge was listed. Remained in jail until November
November/ December 1945	17	Pleads guilty to first-degree robbery, spends his eighteenth birthday in prison. Diagnosed as having psychoneurosis-Compulsive or anxiety type with depression, no evidence of schizophrenia
August 1946	18	Harvey approached Thomas Staro and Doris Thorn. He ordered them into the dark under trees and took Staro's wallet. He tied Staro's legs together and molested Thorn by threatening to kill her with his cap gun, which looked real. Harvey then went to Albany. Late August, Glatman followed a nurse, Florence Hayded, who he attempted to sexually assault. Luckily, she got away. Then, he found Evelyn Berge and Beverly Goldsten. They also got away and reported the incident to the Albany Police Department. Within two days, he was in custody and Glatman confessed to the attack of Florence Hayden. Mom and Dad Glatman were shocked at the actions of Harvey.
October 1946	18	Convicted of assaulting Hayden. Accepted guilty plea reducing charge. He was sentenced to five to ten years at the Elmira Reformatory
1948	20	Dr. Ralph Ryancale diagnosed Harvey with a "psychopathic personality-schizophrenic type having sexually perverted impulses as the basis of his criminality." He was sent to Sing Sing, a maximum-security prison to complete his prison term. At Sing Sing, Glatman was described as being "psycho-educated and if still anti-social should be segregated even if schizophrenia does not seem developed."
1948	21	Paroled from prison. He was noted as being a model prisoner with a high IQ, who "demonstrated ability and eagerness in his prison duties and responded positively to medical exams." Under parole conditions

		Glatman was to return to the care of his mother, get a full-time job, and be under court observation for four and a half more years. Harvey returned to Denver, CO. He lived with his parents until his father's death.
October 1952	24	Harvey's father dies from Diabetes.
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January 1957	30	Arrived in Los Angeles. He picked up an old hobby, photography. Pornography became popular with women who were willing to pose, clothed. August-Called Judith Dull regarding a photo shoot. She agreed to do a photo shoot that afternoon. He told her to wear a tight skirt and sweater. They left her apartment and went to his "studio." They began shooting bondage photos. Glatman pulled out a .32 Browning automatic and began shooting photos of Dull in bondage with the gun. He then raped Judy and made her cuddle with him while he watched television (comedies). Later, he took her past Thousand Palms. He lassoed her neck, shoved her to her knees, pushed her down and took the other part of the rope around her ankles. He pulled her body up and she was dead.
November 1957	30	Heads back to Colorado because he loses his job and his mother asks not questions
1958	30	Heads back to Los Angeles, rents a Bungalow
March 1958	31	Harvey met Shirley Ann Bridgeford at the Patty Sullivan Lonely Hearts Club. They planned to eat dinner and drive to Sun Valley. He pulled out his .32 caliber and demanded her to undress. He raped her then demanded her to pose for pictures. He garroted her, killed her, and then took pictures of her dead body in positions.
July		Found the Diane Studio, a modeling agency. Lorraine Vigil, a first time model, agreed to pose for him at a studio. He claimed that Lorraine was getting on his nerves, so he tried to tie her up, but she fought. She finally kicked the door of his car open. She ran to the light and much to her relief, two police officers were found. They began questioning him about the other victims. They insisted that he was the one who killed the other girls. Harvey finally confessed that he had indeed killed them. He said that there was no way they would know unless they had found his toolbox...What toolbox? Harvey further explained the toolbox with the pictures of the dead bodies. He was arrested. He took the officers to the dead bodies and then taken to the San Diego County Courthouse.
November		Glatman arraigned. He was then interrogated. He confessed, on tape, to each of the murders in detail. Later that month, Ophelia, 69 years old, visited Harvey. She argued to the press that Harvey was sick.
December 1958		Dr. C.E. Lengyel found no evidence of psychosis and said Harvey knows right from wrong.
December 15, 1958	31	Court day. Harvey had plead guilty by reason of insanity. The next phase was sentencing-either death or imprisonment. The taped confession was played. Judge Low imposed the death penalty on Glatman.
1959	32	Transferred to San Quinten Prison.

September 18, 1959		Harvey Glatman was executed by inhaling cyanide and died within 12 minutes (10:12 a.m. Harvey was dead)
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General Information		
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Sex	Male
Race	White
Number of victims	13
Country where killing occurred	United States
States where killing occurred	New York, Yonkers, Denver, Albany NY

Childhood Information		
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Date of birth	December 10, 1927
Location	Bronx, New York
Birth order	Only child
Number of siblings	None
XYY?	No
Raised by	Both parents
Birth category	Only child
Parent's marital status	Married
Family event	Dad died October 1952
Age of family event	25
Problems in school?	None, he excelled in every subject
Teased while in school?	Yes, he was called chipmunk or weasel
Physically attractive?	No
Physical defect?	None
Speech defect?	None
Head injury?	None, but he did tie a rope around his neck
Physically abused?	He would abuse himself with a rope started at age 4
Psychologically abused?	No
Sexually abused?	No
Father's occupation	Milliner in garment district of Bronx
Age of first sexual experience	18 when he sexually molested Noreen Laurel
Age when first had intercourse	30
Mother's occupation	Not known
Father abused drugs/alcohol	No
Mother abused drugs/alcohol	No

Cognitive Ability		
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Highest grade in school	12
Highest degree	Diploma from High School
Grades in school	Excelled in school
IQ	130, 90, 140

Work History		
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Served in the military?	N/a
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?	N/a
Worked in law enforcement?	N/s

Fired from jobs?	N/a
Types of jobs worked	Television repair man and “photographer”
Employment status during series	Posing as a photographer
Relationships	
Sexual preference	Hetero
Marital status	Single, never married
Number of children	None
Lives with his children	None
Living with	Mother and father
Triad	
Animal torture	None
Fire setting	None
Bed wetting	None
Killer Psychological Information	
Abused drugs?	No
Abused alcohol?	No
Been to a psychologist?	Yes
Time in forensic hospital?	No
Diagnosis	Diagnosed with different problems: Psychopathic personality, schizophrenic, having sexual perverted impulses, psycho-educated and if still anti-social should be segregated even if schizophrenia does not seem developed, psychoneurosis-Compulsive or anxiety type with depression, no evidence of schizophrenia
Killer Criminal History	
Committed previous crimes?	Yes
Spend time in jail?	No
Spend time in prison?	Yes
Killed prior to series? Age?	No
Serial Killing	
Number of victims	3—2 models and 1 “good girl”
Victim type	Young women
Killer age at start of series	30
Gender of victims	Female
Race of victims	White
Age of victims	19, 24, 24
Method of killing	Killed victims using a rope around their neck
Type of serial killer	Disorganized, lust killer
How close did killer live?	Walking distance, drove to crime
Killing occurred in home of victim?	No
Killing occurred in home of killer?	No, actual killing occurred in Anza State Park and in a desert
Weapon	Killer brought with him a rope

Behavior During Crimes	
Rape?	Yes
Tortured victims?	No
Stalked victims?	No
Overkill?	No
Quick & efficient?	Yes
Used blindfold?	No
Bound the victims?	Yes
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?	Yes, before and after the death
Took totem – body part	No
Took totem – personal item	The rope used to kill each woman
Robbed victim or location	No
Disposal of Body	
Left at scene, no attempt to hide	N/a
Left at scene, hidden	N/a
Left at scene, buried	Buried all three in the desert
Moved, no attempt to hide	N/a
Moved, buried	N/a
Cut-up and disposed of	N/a
Moved, too home	N/a
Sentencing	
Date killer arrested	July, 1958
Date convicted	November 3, 1958
Sentence	Death penalty
Killer executed?	Yes
Name and state of prison	San Quinton, California
Killer committed suicide?	No
Killer killed in prison?	Yes, inhaled cyanide @ 10:12 a.m.
Date of death	September 18, 1959
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Glatman Victims

Judy Dull



Shirley Ann Bridgeford



The remains of Ruth Mercado

