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KILLER CLOWN RECEIVES DEATH PENALTY

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John Wayne Gacy was sentenced to **death by lethal injection on May 10th, 1994**. The location of his sentence was at the **Stateville Correctional Center in Illinois**. The reason for his death penalty was because John Wayne Gacy, Jr has committed **33 known murders inside his own home**, but it all started in March 17th, 1942, when John was born in Chicago Illinois.

When John was young, according to his sister, Karen Kuzma, their father would abuse them for misbehaving, and that was what made them toughen up.

In September 1964 John had Married Marlynn Myers, but John was sexually confused, so he would often fool around with men. When he was married, he moved to Waterloo, Iowa. One day, he sexually assaults a young teen named Donald Voores. The young boy told his parents, and John was sentenced to 10 years for sodomy, but leaves after 16 months on good behavior. When he gets out, he gets divorced by his wife, and he moves back to Chicago to create a company named PDM (Painting, Deco, Maintenance).

In 1972, he can't suppress his urges anymore, and **sexually assaults Tim McCoy**, then stabs him with a kitchen knife. He then buries him into his crawlspace. He continues doing this for 6 years and has amassed a number of 32 murders. The police began to be suspicious of John when Robert Piest went missing after his work shift and never returned home. Robert became the **33rd victim**. John was the person last seen with Robert when he was talking to him about giving him a better paying job at his company (Painting, Deco, Maintenance/PDM). The police got a search warrant for his home. They couldn't find anything related to Robert Piest, but they found multiple items tying to other missing persons cases. One of the police officers smelled a **foul odor** coming from the air vents. The police got their 2nd warrant to dig up John's crawl space, and they had found a human bone. On **Dec 1st 1978**, John was arrested for murder. The police continued to dig in his crawl space, with the help of John himself and had found the rest of the bodies.

On **March 13th, 1980**, John was found guilty and sentenced to death. He claims that he had multiple personality disorder and that he did not sexually assault and murder 33 young men, but after his death, Helen Morrison, a forensic psychiatrist extracted his brain, and she found nothing wrong with it.

After killing Tim McCoy, John Wayne Gacy killed these men by **tricking them into putting on handcuffs**, saying it was a magic trick. He would then sexually torture them and begin to **tie a rope around their neck and stick a bar into to it to tighten it, suffocating them**. During an interview, when he was on death row, he showed the interviewer the only way he knew how to tie a knot, and that was the same kind of knot found tied around the victim's necks.

Nobody knows why John did what he did, but after looking at that interview, Daniel Yohanna a Chicago psychiatrist, states

“He's very attentive to all the details, and that's how people like him are able to cover up these crimes, because they are well planned and organized”.

I think this is an interesting story, because John, on surface level seemed like a normal person, but he had all these problems. I believe someone's childhood could change a person entirely; for example, John denies claims of being homosexual on an interview even after he has been proven guilty, because of his continuous put down by his father on what is manly and what's not.



Who Is John Wayne Gacy?

Ever since John was born, he had always felt different from everyone else. His father wanted John to be an athlete, but John had a heart condition, so he could never play any physical activities, and he could never be the athlete his father wanted him to be. John's father wanted to have obedience to his children, so he would beat them when they disobeyed him. His mother, to try to compensate over her husband's mistreat, fed her child more. This led to John being overweight, disappointing his father even more.

According to his childhood friend **Barry Boschelli**, one day John asked him

“If I ever dress up as a woman, how will I look?” John was a sexually confused man, but trying not to disappoint his father more than he already has, he dated women and even married a

coworker. Her name was Marylyn Myers. When she was giving birth however, John was fooling around with his male coworker, unbeknownst of her.

John and his wife moved to Waterloo, Iowa because his father-in-law owned 3 KFC's, and he needed someone to manage them.

Unable to control his urges, he sexually assaults Donald Vorhees, and he threatens him to not tell anyone. He does however tell his family on March 1968. His family pressed charges against John for Sodomy, and he's sentenced to 10 years, but he leaves after 16 months on good behavior.

John moves back into his old home in Chicago and begins a company called PDM in 1971 he begins to kill in 1972. John joined the **jolly joker clown club** time and in his free time, he would entertain children at hospitals as a clown called **Pogo**. **Sometimes he would kill dressed as a clown**. John has said he liked dressing up as a clown, because you get to act like a child again, while at the same time hiding your face. When he moves back, he remarries a childhood friend, Carol Hoff, and after that he spirals back into his obsession to teenage boys.

John was a man who knew no control and his actions were irreversible, but at the same time, the parents are also at fault for the making of their child. In conclusion John had sexually assaulted and killed 33 young males, for his own pleasure.



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