



Fred & Rosemary West

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Early Life

Rosemary Letts

- Born November 29, 1953 in Devon, England
- Result of a difficult pregnancy
- Both parents suffered from mental illness
- Grew up to become a moody teenager
- Performed poorly in school
- Developed interest in older men

Parents;

Daisy Gwendoline Letts; suffered from depression and was given ECT while pregnant

Bill Letts; Suffered from paranoid schizophrenic & prone to violence



Early Life

Frederick West

- Born September 29, 1941 in Much Marcle, England

Parents;

Daisy Hannah Hill &
Walter Stephen West

- One of six children
- He was his mother's favorite
- Sexually abused by mom
- Father had sexual incestuous relations with his sisters, but this was never substantiated



Didn't do well in school, he dropped out and worked many jobs

- Farm Labor, Construction worker, Ice cream van driver, Slaughterhouse

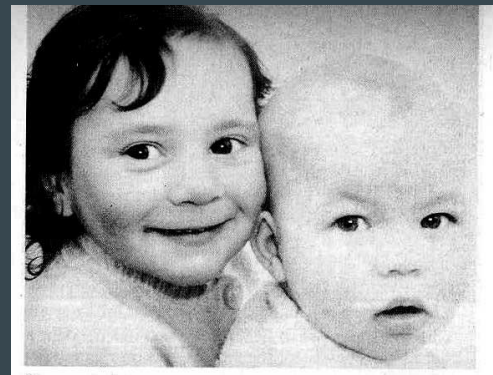
17 years old -> Motorcycle accident -> serious head injuries

Later at a Local Youth Club -> fell off a fire escape -> permanent brain damage

Fred & Rosemary West

Rose involved with West during her teens

- Took care of his two children (Anna Marie & Charmaine)
- Got pregnant and moved in with him in Gloucester
- Gave birth to Heather in 1970's
 - She had violent and erratic tendencies and murdered 8yrs old Charmaine
 - Murdered her mother Catherine Rena Costello
 - Fred served time in jail
- In 1972 Fred and Rosemary got married
- Total of 8 kids
 - Five fathered by West
 - Three Fathered by her clients







In order of their deaths from top left: Ann McFal, Charmaine West, Rena West, Lynda Gough, Carol Ann Cooper, Lucy Partington, Therese Siegenthaler, Shirley Hubbard, Juanita Mott, Shirley Robinson, Alison Chambers, Heather West

June 1971:
Charmaine West

April 1973:
Lynda Gough

Late of 1973 or Early
1974: Lucy Partington

October 1974:
Shirley Hubbard

May 1978:
Shirley Robinson

June
1987:
Heather
West

August 1971:
Rena West

November 1973:
Carol Ann Cooper

April 1974: Therese
Siegenthaler

April 1975:
Juanita Mott

August 1979:
Alison Chamber

Graphology

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Rosemary West,
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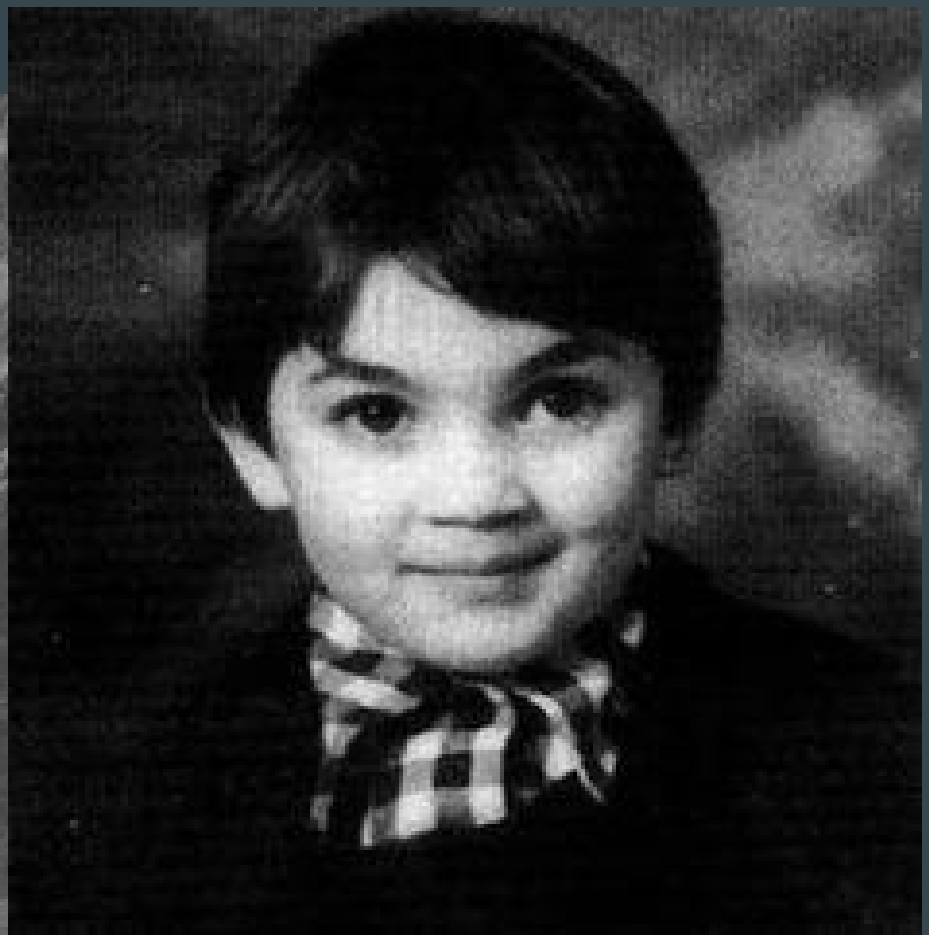
Hello Sean,
Surprise, surprise!! It's
me! I let you give up on me didn't
you? SORRY! But the cheerfulness
didn't last very long! Once the
news of Jack Straw's decision hit
home, I'm afraid it divided me

- Rose West's letters prove she is a twisted, sadistic killer with no conscience
- In reality she is cold and introspective, shown by her writing leaning to the left. She is highly secretive — one of the main characteristics in a murderer's personality — shown by the closely dotted i's. The o's are also closed in a perfect ring, one of the biggest signs of someone who likes to hide things.
- She is fairly unpredictable, immature and impressionable, shown by the fully looped h's, k's and l's
- The mixture of rounded and spiky formation of her letters, especially the hooked initial strokes on the b, a, t, i and s show cruel tendencies

Heather Ann West Case

- Oct.17,1970 - June 1987
- Focus of Fred's attention after Anne Marie left home
- She complained to friends about the abuse, and when this got back to Fred and Rose, they then decided to kill her
- Fred West claimed he had not meant to kill her but she had been sneering at him and he "had to take the smirk off her face"
- Charmaine(on left), Heather(in middle),
- Anne Marie(Far Right)





Caroline Case



- 1972- 17yr old Caroline becomes their nanny and is incarcerated, stripped and raped
- She was able to escape despite the many threats made against her and report the Wests to the police
- Despite Wests' criminal record, he was able to convince a 1973 court magistrate that Owens had consented to the "activities"
- Caroline was too traumatized over what had happened to give testimony
- The Wests both escaped with fines

Leading to the arrest



Activities drew the attention of Detectives

The oversight search at 25 Cromwell Street in August 1992 led to their arrest

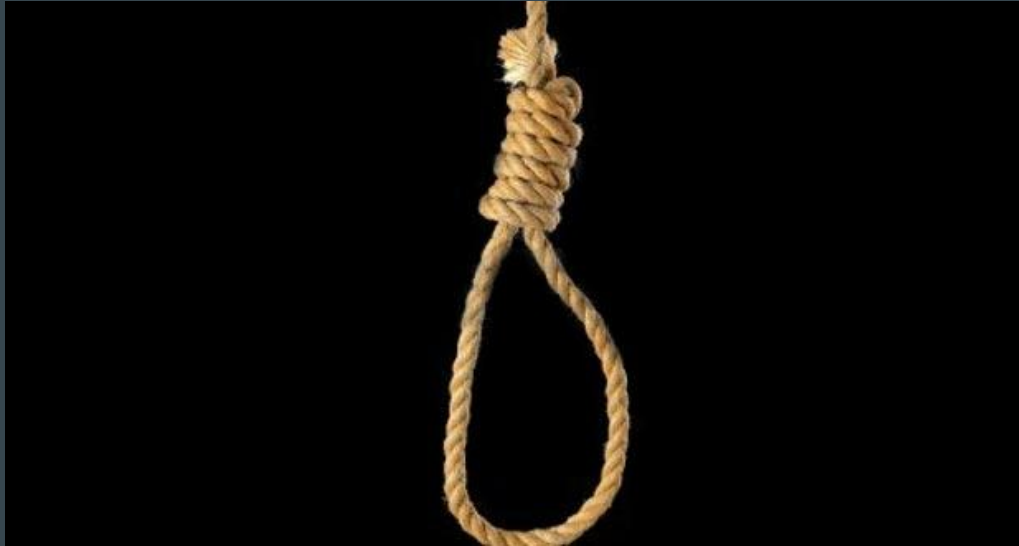
Case collapse, two key witness denied to testify against them

Feb, 1994, search warrant and found remains of their victims

Charges: Fred West

December 13, 1994

- Charged 12 counts of murder
- Hung himself on Jan 1 in his cell while awaiting trial



Charges: Rosemary

Rose trial taken on October 3, 1995

- 10 counts of murder on Nov 22, 1995
- sentenced to life in prison

Media attention was on Rose in January 2003

- Dave Glover; bass player of rock group *Slade*, plan to marry Rose
- She called off the wedding few days after
- cost him his position with the band



“House of Horror”

Demolished to the ground in October 1996

It is now a pathway that leads to the town center



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