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Don't Look Behind You St. Martin's Paperbacks

Ann Rule presents a collection of fascinating and disturbing true-crime stories-drawn from her real-life personal files-in this seventeenth volume in the #1 New York Times bestselling Crime Files series. In this gripping collection of investigative accounts from her private archives, "America's best true-crime writer" (Kirkus Reviews) exposes the most frightening aspect of the murderous mind: the waiting game. Trusted family members or translate the most complex cases into strangers, these cold-blooded killers select their unsuspecting prey, wait for the perfect moment to strike, then turn normality into homicidal mayhem in a matter thoughts and deeds of the sociopath, in of moments. Ann Rule will have you seeing the people and places around you with heightened caution as you read these shattering cases, including: • New mothers murdered, their infants kidnapped, in an atrocious baby-selling scheme • The man who master Ann Rule presents her fifteenth volume of the acclaimed kept his criminal past hidden from his

wife-and his wife from his mistress-until he coldly disposed of one of them • The beautiful daughter of a State Department official ran away from the privileged world heart pounds harder. Is it a dangerous stranger or someone you she knew and hitched a ride with a man she didn't . . . with fatal consequences • For months, a vicious, rage-filled serial rapist eluded police and terrorized Seattle's women-when would he strike next, and how far would his violence escalate? • A criminal known for his Houdini-like escapes is serving time for murder in a botched robbery-now the convict is being served dinner in a civilian's home, where he has one more trick up his sleeve • A long-lost relative who came home to visit, leaving a bloody trail through Washington and Oregon; no one realized how dangerous he and his ladylove were-until it was far too late. . . . With her ability to storytelling "as dramatic and chilling as a bedroom window shattering at night" (The New York Times), Rule expertly analyzes the this seventeenth essential Crime Files volume.

Ted and Ann - The Mystery of a Missing Child and Her **Neighbor Ted Bundy** Grand Central Publishing

The #1 New York Times bestselling author and true crime Crime Files series focusing on disturbing stories of people in danger, sometimes from strangers and sometimes from the people they know and love. Walking home on a dark night, you hear footsteps coming up behind you. As they get closer, your know and trust? The answer is as simple as turning around, but don't look behind you...run. With her signature in-depth research and compelling writing, Ann Rule chronicles fateful encounters with the secret predators hiding in plain sight. First in line is a stunning case that spanned thirty years and took one determined detective to four states—ending, finally, in Alaska—where he unraveled not one but two murders. A second case appears to begin and end with the hunt for the Green River Killer, focusing on a Washington State man who was once cleared as a suspect in that deadly chain of homicides. In another true story, a petite woman went to a tavern, looking only for conversation and fun. Instead, she met violent death in the form of a seven-foot tall man who had seemed shy and harmless. You'll feel a chill as you uncover these and numerous other cases of unfortunate victims who made one tragic mistake: trusting the wrong person—even someone they thought they knew. Too Late to Say Goodbye Createspace Independent Publishing

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Written within a cloistered environment to protect sources that have yet to be identified, TOO LATE TO SAY GOODBYE is a chilling portrait of two beautiful, successful women whose murders were made to look like suicides. Jenn Corbin appeared to have it all: two little boys, a posh home in the suburbs of Atlanta, and a husband - Dr Bart Corbin, a successful dentist - who was handsome and brilliant. Then, in December 2004, Jenn was found dead with a bullet in her head, apparently by suicide. Only later would detectives learn that another woman in Dr Corbin's past had been found years earlier with nearly the exact same wound to the head, also ruled a suicide. In TOO LATE TO SAY GOODBYE, Ann Rule - working in cooperation with victims' families,

police investigators, and sources from Georgia to Australia - unravels the moor sparks a police investigation and a heavy media now-sensational deaths. What emerges is an incredible tale of jealous rage; of stunning evidence that runs from the steamy to the macabre; and of a fateful, mind-boggling coincidence that appears to have motivated the killings. The definitive unravelling of one of the strangest murder investigations of our time, this is the greatest achievement of a truly great writing career.

A Rose For Her Grave & Other True Cases Simon and Schuster A New York Times Bestseller "A smart, edge-of-your-seat story with plot twists you 'Il never see coming. Stacy Willingham 's debut will keep you turning pages long past your bedtime. " —Karin Slaughter When Chloe Davis was twelve, six teenage girls went missing in her small Louisiana town. By the end of the summer, her own father had confessed to the crimes and was put away for life, leaving Chloe and the rest of her family to grapple with the truth and try to move forward while dealing with the aftermath. Now twenty years later, Chloe is a psychologist in Baton Rouge and getting ready for her wedding. While she finally has a fragile grasp on the happiness she 's worked so hard to achieve, she sometimes feels as out of control of her own life as the troubled teens who are her patients. So when a local teenage girl goes missing, and then another, that terrifying summer comes crashing back. Is she paranoid, seeing parallels from her past that aren't actually there, or for the second time in her life, is Chloe about to unmask a killer? From debut author Stacy Willingham comes a masterfully done, lyrical thriller, certain to be the launch of an amazing career. A Flicker in the Dark is eerily compelling to the very last page.

If You Really Loved Me Andrews McMeel Publishing The story of an Oregon woman convicted of shooting her three

Verity Onyx

children, killing one, in 1983.

America's #1 true-crime writer fulfills a murder victim's desperate plea with this shattering New York Times bestseller. "If anything ever happens to me...find Ann Rule and ask her to write my story." In perhaps the first true-crime book written at the victim's request, Ann Rule untangles a web of lies and brutality that culminated in the murder of Sheila Blackthorne Bellush—a woman Rule never met, but Readers can't help but get entangled in this USA Today whose shocking story she now chronicles with compassion, exacting detail, and unvarnished candor. Although happily ensconced in a loving second marriage, and a new family of quadruplets, Sheila never truly escaped the vicious enslavement of her ex-husband, multi-millionaire Allen Blackthorne, a handsome charmer— and a violent, controlling sociopath who subjected Sheila to unthinkable abuse in their marriage, and terrorized her for a decade after their divorce. When Sheila was slain in her home, in the presence of her four toddlers, authorities raced to link the crime to Blackthorne, the man who vowed to monitor Sheila's every move in his obsessive quest for power and revenge.

A Fatal Fleece Simon and Schuster

The gruesome discovery of several dead bodies on the

presence in the remote North Yorkshire Village of Chellingford. When Adrian Brooks shows up at Jessica Scanlon's cottage, however, it is with another line of enquiry in mind. His sister, Laura, has disappeared, and he thinks watercolour artist Jessica might be able to help him find her. Jessica's friend Etta has also gone missing. and when she is called upon to identify of the bodies discovered by the police, she confirms that it is Etta. But Jessica's landlady Mildred seems to have other ideas. A mysterious suicide, an elaborate insurance scam and the arrival of nosy true crime writer Diana Wishart create further layers of intrigue that lead to a thrilling denouement.

Last Dance, Last Chance Baker Books

The newest thriller and instant #1 New York Times bestseller from Queen of Suspense Mary Higgins Clark shows us just how far a family and a town will go to protect their own in the wake of tragedy After a party when her parents are away, eighteen-year-old Kerry Dowling is found fully dressed at the bottom of the family pool. The immediate suspect is her boyfriend, who had a bitter argument with her at the party. Then there is a twenty-year-old neighbor who was angry because she didn't invite him to the party. Or is there another suspect who has not yet been seen on the radar? Kerry's older sister Aline, a twenty-eight-year-old guidance counselor, is determined to assist the prosecutor's office in learning the truth. She does not realize that now she is putting her own life in danger. From #1 New York Times bestselling author and the "Queen of Suspense" comes a thrilling investigation asking what we truly know a rather unpleasant rabbit hole The victim - an about those we trust, and the secrets lying in even the most idyllic of opinionated busybody whose jewelry store sold original neighborhoods.

Fatal Trust Penguin

bestselling series. This summer in Sea Harbor, Massachusetts, one of the Seaside Knitters gets tangled up with a precocious granddaughter, and another stands accused of sending a local resident on a permanent vacation... As Izzy and the Seaside Knitters prepare her yarn studio for the tourist season, fellow knitter Birdie Favazza has her hands full with her granddaughter Gabby. The little girl soon becomes a fixture in the town and even strikes up a friendship with a reclusive local fisherman, Finnegan, who is the source of much local turbulence. Then lobsterwoman Cass Halloran stumbles

over the old fisherman—his body covered with leaves and sea grass and wearing the yellow fleece vest she once made for him. When Cass becomes a suspect in his murder the Knitters must rally to protect their friend. Soon the Seaside Knitters will discover that caring for Gabby while casting their net for a killer is a tricky business, indeed. They'll have to keep their wits about them as they piece together the clues...or one of their own will wind up knitting behind bars.

Fatal Macmillan

A shocking chronicle of greed, sexual obsession, manipulation, and murder--from the bestselling author of Small Sacrifices. Computer wizard David Brown convinced his own daughter to prove her love by killing his new wife. Brown then collected a large insurance policy and married his dead wife's teenage sister, whom he had secretly taught to perform sex acts since she was eleven years old. Photographs.

Chronicle of a Death Foretold Gallery Books Victoria Gilbert's third Booklover's B&B Mystery, a treat for fans of Mary Daheim and Kate Carlisle, finds owner Charlotte Reed and her former spy neighbor, Ellen Montgomery, pitted against a tea-party poisoner. Booklover Charlotte is delighted to welcome an eclectic group of guests to Chapters Bed and Breakfast for a book club retreat focused on fairy tales and classic children's literature. But when one of the guests is poisoned at a Mad Hatter tea party, Charlotte realizes she's fallen down designs, along with some possibly "hot" merchandise – had plenty of enemies, spurring Charlotte and Ellen to offer their well-honed investigative skills to assist the local police. But as they delve deeper into each of the guest's stories, they realize all of them had a motive, and the means, to close the book on the unfortunate victim. Enlisting the aid of a few local residents, as well as their new ally, agent Gavin Howard, Charlotte and Ellen vow to reveal the truth, even if the path to any sort of happy ending is strewn with deadly danger.

Practice to Deceive Simon and Schuster "A man is murdered on a sleepy island, and three people are accused of murdering him: an aging beauty queen, her guitar-teacher lover, and the widow"--

Heart Full of Lies Simon and Schuster

"From the New York Times #1 bestselling author comes a riveting true-crime mystery set on a sleepy island in the Pacific shattering crime itself, powerfully illuminating how those we Northwest: a man is murdered and the long list of suspects includes an aging beauty queen and her boyfriend. One wintery night on quiet Whidbey Island off the coast of Washington, Russ Douglas spent Christmas with his estranged true crime writer, this fourteenth Crime Files volume is essential was found dead in her own home, murdered execution-style with wife, Brenna. She agreed to let him visit his children even though they were headed for divorce. He left Brenna Douglas's us. home in Langley on the morning of December 26, 2003 to run some errands. But hours passed and Russ didn't return home as he'd promised his children he would. Nor did he come back during the night. On the afternoon of December 27, a couple walking down a rural road noticed a vehicle in the driveway of a cabin. Since many of the places were vacant during the winter, neighbors kept an eye out for strangers. Curious, they walked up the cabin's driveway to check inside. They saw a man in the front seat, dead from a single gunshot wound to the blizzard. Her controlling husband, Josh, proved capable of a head. They immediately put in a call to the Island County Sheriff's Office. The dead man was easily identified; it was Russell Douglas. But what came next in this homicide case surprised law enforcement and captured the attention of the entire town when the suspects included an aging beauty queen, her guitar-teacher lover, and Russell's widow, Brenna, owner of the local beauty salon. With her trademark aplomb, Ann Rule unravels the fascinating story of a murder, a small town, and a number of potential killers"--

A Fatal Booking Simon and Schuster

"With new information about Ted Bundy's childhood, interviews with those who knew him best, and the memories of the Burr family, Ted and Ann is the story of one of the 20th century's most fascinating cold cases."--Page 4 of cover.

Mortal Danger Simon and Schuster

In this chilling volume of New York Times bestselling author Ann Rule's Crime Files, discover unforgettable cases of a spouse, lover, family member or helpful stranger who is totally trusted—until it's too late. Whether driven to extreme violence by greed or jealousy, passion or rage, the calculating sociopaths in this true crime collection targeted those closest to them—unwitting victims whose last disbelieving words could well have been "but I trusted you...." Headlining this pageturning anthology is the case of middle-school counselor Chuck Leonard, found shot to death outside his Washington State home on an icy February morning. A complicated mix of family man and wild man, Chuck played hard and loved

many...but who crossed the line by murdering him in cold blood? And why? The revelation is as stunning as the think we know can ingeniously hide their destructive and homicidal designs. Along with other shocking cases, immaculately detailed and sharply analyzed by America's #1 reading for getting inside the mind of the hidden killers among

A Killer Among Us Simon and Schuster

In July 2011, billionaire Jonah Shacknai's Coronado, California, mansion was the setting for two horrifying deaths only days apart--his young son's plunge from a balcony and his girlfriend's ghastly hanging. What really happened? Baffling questions remain unanswered. Rule looks at the closed cases through the eyes of a relentless crime reporter. The second probe began in Utah when Susan Powell vanished in a 2009 blind rage that was heartbreakingly fatal to his innocent young sons almost three years later in a tragedy that shocked America as the details unfolded. If anyone had detected the depth of depravity within Josh Powell, perhaps the family that loved and trusted him would have been saved. In these and seven other riveting cases, Ann Rule exposes the twisted truth behind headlined and little-known homicides and speaks for vulnerable victims who relied on the wrong people.

Practice to Deceive Gallery Books

DIV In her dreams, her life was not her own. Awake, the threat of danger was real. Everyone said that she was crazy. But when Alexis dreamed of dying, she knew she had been killed before. And if it had happened once, it could happen again. /div

Lying in Wait Simon and Schuster

In 1964, a group of scientists called the Los Alamos Five came close to finishing a nuclear energy project for the United States government when they were abruptly disbanded. Now the granddaughter of one of those five scientists, aerospace engineer Elinor Mitchell, discovers that she has highly sensitive information on the project in her possession--and a target on her back. SNAP agent and former Navy cryptologist Kekoa Young is tasked with monitoring Elinor. This is both convenient since she's his neighbor in Washington, DC, and decidedly inconvenient because . . . well, he kind of likes her. As Elinor follows the clues her grandfather left behind to a topsecret nuclear project, Kekoa has no choice but to step in. When Elinor learns he has been spying on her, she's crushed. But with danger closing in on all sides, she'll have to trust him

to ensure her discoveries stay out of enemy hands. Natalie Walters sucks you into the global race for space domination in this perfectly paced second installment of her SNAP Agency romantic suspense series.

If You Really Loved Me Andrea Cumbo-Floyd

On March 6, 1992, Elizabeth DeCaro, a 28-year-old mother of four two bullets to the head. Her husband Rick was immediately suspect, having previously struck her "accidentally" with the family van after taking out a \$100,000 life insurance policy on her. This book presents the true story of Elizabeth's family and their search for justice against the man who continued to play father to the children whose mother he had killed. Photos.

Fatal Friends, Deadly Neighbors Simon and Schuster "America's best true-crime writer" (Kirkus Reviews) presents an all-new collection of crime stories drawn from her private files and featuring the riveting case of a fraudulent doctor whose lifelong deceptions had deadly consequences. The inspiration behind the upcoming Lifetime movie event Desperate Hours. Dr. Anthony Pignataro was a cosmetic surgeon and a famed medical researcher whose flashy red Lamborghini and flamboyant lifestyle in western New York State suggested a highly successful career. But appearances can be deceiving—and, for the doctor's wife, very nearly deadly. Now, the motivations of the classic sociopath are plumbed with chilling accuracy by Ann Rule. Along with other shocking true cases, this worldwide headline-making case will have you turning pages in disbelief that a trusted medical professional could sink to the depths of greed, manipulation, and self-aggrandizement where even slow, deliberate murder is not seen for what it truly is: pure evil.