

<div style="text-align: center;"> CERTIFICATE OF DEATH STATE OF CALIFORNIA—DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH </div>										<div style="text-align: right;"> 7097-037561 </div>	
DECEDENT PERSONAL DATA 6	1a. NAME OF DECEASED—FIRST NAME LENO		1b. MIDDLE NAME A.		1c. LAST NAME LaBIANCA		2a. DATE OF DEATH—MONTH DAY YEAR AUG. 10, 1969		2b. HOUR 10:50 P.		
	3. SEX male	4. COLOR OR RACE Cauc.	5. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR FOREIGN COUNTRY) California		6. DATE OF BIRTH August 6, 1925		7. AGE—LAST BIRTHDAY 44 YEARS		8. YEARS 44		
	8. NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF FATHER Antonio LaBianca * Italy					9. MOTHER NAME AND BIRTHPLACE OF BROTHER Clarina Luzzi * Italy					
	10. CITIZEN OF WHAT COUNTRY USA		11. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 552-38-2322		12. MARRIED, NEVER MARRIED, DIVORCED, SEPARATED, WIDOWED, OR UNMARRIED Married or widowed under		13. NAME OF SURVIVING SPOUSE (IF DECEASED, GIVE NAME) CO. INC.		17. KIND OF INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS Retail Grocery markets		
PLACE OF DEATH	14a. PLACE OF DEATH—NAME OF HOSPITAL OR OTHER IN-PATIENT FACILITY				14b. STREET ADDRESS—(STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION) 3301 Waverly Drive				14c. INSIDE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES		
	14d. CITY OR TOWN Los Angeles				14e. COUNTY Los Angeles				14f. LENGTH OF STAY IN COUNTY OF DEATH 44 YEARS		
USUAL RESIDENCE OF DECEASED IN IMMEDIATE PREVIOUS RESIDENCE BEFORE DEATH	15a. USUAL RESIDENCE—STREET ADDRESS (STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION) 3301 Waverly Drive				15b. INSIDE CITY CORPORATE LIMITS (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES				20. NAME AND MAILING ADDRESS OF INFORMANT Cory LaBianca 117 Via Nice Newport Beach, Calif. 92660		
	15c. CITY OR TOWN Los Angeles				15d. COUNTY Los Angeles				15e. STATE California		
PHYSICIAN'S OR CORONER'S CERTIFICATION	21a. CORONER—(CHECK CORONER'S NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE AND SIGNATURE OF CORONER'S OFFICIALS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE) Investigation		21b. PHYSICIAN—(CHECK PHYSICIAN'S NAME, ADDRESS, AND PHONE NUMBER AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE AND SIGNATURE OF PHYSICIAN'S OFFICIALS AT THE BOTTOM OF THIS PAGE) Investigation		21c. PHYSICIAN OR CORONER—SIGNATURE AND NAME OF TITLE Ruby Sanil Coronar		21d. DATE SIGNED AUG 13 1969		21e. ADDRESS Hall of Justice, Los Angeles		
	22a. SPECIFY MANNER OF DEATH E. tombment		22b. DATE 8/16/69		23. NAME OF CEMETERY OR CREMATORY Calvary Cemetery		24. EMBALMER—SIGNATURE (IF BODY EMBALMED) LICENSE NUMBER Henry R. B... 780		25. LOCAL REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE Sh... 13		
9 CAUSE OF DEATH	25. NAME OF FUNERAL DIRECTOR (OR PERSON ACTING AS SUCH) Godeau & Martinoni, Inc.				26. IF NOT REPORTED TO CORONER, THIS DEATH REPORTED TO CORONER (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES		27. LOCAL REGISTRAR—SIGNATURE Sh... 13		28. DATE ACCEPTED FOR DEATH AUG 14 1969		
	29. PART I. DEATH WAS CAUSED BY: ENTER ONLY ONE CAUSE PER LINE FOR A, B, AND C (A) MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS TO NECK AND ABDOMEN CAUSING MASSIVE HEMORRHAGE. (B) _____ (C) _____ 30. PART II. OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS—(CONTRIBUTING TO DEATH BUT NOT RELATED TO THE IMMEDIATE CAUSE GIVEN IN PART I) _____										
INJURY INFORMATION	33. SPECIFY ACCIDENT, SUICIDE OR HOMICIDE		34. PLACE OF INJURY (SPECIFY HOME, PARK, STREET, OFFICE BUILDING, ETC.)		35. INJURY AT WORK (SPECIFY YES OR NO) NO		36a. DATE OF INJURY—MONTH DAY YEAR YES		36b. HOUR		
	37a. PLACE OF INJURY—STREET AND NUMBER OR LOCATION AND CITY OR TOWN: 24F				37b. DISTANCE FROM PLACE OF INJURY TO HOME (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES		38. WERE LABORATORY TESTS DONE FOR DRUGS OR TOXIC SUBSTANCES (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES		39. WERE LABORATORY TESTS DONE FOR ALL OTHER CAUSES OF DEATH (SPECIFY YES OR NO) YES		
40. DESCRIBE HOW INJURY OCCURRED (GIVE SUMMARY OF EVENTS WHICH RESULTED IN INJURY; NATURE OF INJURY SHOULD BE EXPANDED IN PART II) _____											
STATE REGISTRAR A _____ B _____ C _____ D _____ E _____ F 1882											

File # 69-8859

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER

Date AUGUST 11, 1969 Time 1:30 PM

an autopsy on the body of LENO LA BIANCA

OFFICE OF CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER, HALL OF JUSTICE, LOS ANGELES,

; anatomic findings and pertinent history I ascribe the death to:

MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS TO NECK AND ABDOMEN
CAUSING MASSIVE HEMORRHAGE

FINAL: September 8, 1969

ANATOMICAL SUMMARY

MULTIPLE STAB WOUNDS TO NECK AND ABDOMEN:

- A) Transection, right carotid artery.
- B) Laceration of trachea.
- C) Perforation of small bowel and colon.
- D) Perforation of mesentery.

LIGATURE AROUND WRIST.

Y OF INJURIES:

Anterior neck near midline, 14 inches from vertex, stab with knife still in place, transecting right carotid with exit on the lateral portion of the right neck. Wound is approximately 5 inches in length with brownish, dried handle. After removal of this knife with serrated blade it is given to custody of Homicide Detectives, Los Angeles Police Department. This injury is considered fatal.

On left side of neck, 9-1/4 inches from midline, extends forward and posteriorly, lacerating the left lateral aspect of trachea. The adjacent vessels do not show gross damage. This injury is probably not fatal.

Wounds #3, #4, #5, and #6 are on the left anterior abdomen. Measurements 23, 24-1/2, 25, and 26-3/4 of an inch from vertex. Wound direction is in a downward and inward direction from deceased's left to his right, to penetrate the abdominal wall causing numerous perforations of the small bowel and transverse colon and also lacerates portions of the mesentery. Depth of penetration is approximately 5 inches. In addition,

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at level 10-1/2 inches from the vertex on the left supraclavicular area is a laceration stab wound which extends approximately 3-4 inches in depth to the right of the deceased and penetrates the soft tissue without transecting major vessels. Small lacerations are present on the upper anterior portion of the chest which are rather superficial and do not penetrate into the chest space.

On the posterior flank just to the right of midline, 22-1/2 inches from the vertex is a laceration stab wound 1-1/8 inch in width, penetrating downward deeply into the connective tissue. However, it does not penetrate into the abdominal space or the retroperitoneal organs.

The wrist shows extensive ligature marks, bilaterally, and with extensive slippage of the skin in the area with marked discoloration, purplish, of the more distal aspect of the hands with extensive area of slippage of the skin. No defense marks are recognizable on the fingers.

The anterior abdomen shows the letters "WAR" consisting of linear superficial lacerations with yellowish border approximately 1/8 of an inch in width with central minimally reddened laceration. Also present in the abdominal areas are seven pairs of marks approximately 1/2 inch between the marks, consistent with tine marks from a fork; these do not penetrate into the abdominal space.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is that of a clothed Caucasian male whose upper portion is in a rather bloody blue pajama top, and the lower portion in a blue pajama bottom that is rather bloody. Extensive amounts of blood are present on the upper portion of the neck. The head is covered with a pillow case type covering with an electric cord ligature around the back of the neck, covering anteriorly around approximately the level of the mouth. The abdomen at present is exposed and shows on the anterior aspect four stab type wounds, and on the surface are several letters scratched "WAR" which have yellowish border and central reddish lacerated area. The hands are tied together with a rather thin leather thong.

After removal of the clothing it is noted that a knife is present imbedded up to and beyond where the handle begins. This is imbedded on the anterior aspect pointing slightly backwards and upward. This is in position of injury #1 described above. No evidence of blunt trauma is detectable superficially.

The unembalmed body is that of a Caucasian male whose height is 71 inches and weight of 230 pounds, whose age appears as stated of 44. The external genitalia is male. The hair is gray, the eyes are hazel. The teeth are in good condition. No evidence of injury is present on the lips. No pitting edema is recognizable. No surgical scars are noted.

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INTERNAL EXAMINATION

INCISION:

The usual Y-shaped incision is employed. A small amount of blood is present in the abdominal space. Large amounts of blood are present in the structures and connective tissue around the neck organs. There is no accumulation of fluid or blood in the thoracic spaces.

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

The trachea and bronchi contain moderate amounts of brownish-gray, granular material consistent with gastric origin. The mucosa shows no significant erosion. The lungs weigh right: 450 grams, left - 470 grams. Cut surface shows extensive edema and brownish autolytic changes on the posterior aspects, bilaterally. There is no recognizable consolidation. The pulmonary vessels are grossly normal.

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:

The aorta and its branches show no significant atherosclerosis. The heart weighs 330 grams and lies within a smooth pericardial sac. There is no dilatation of chambers or hypertrophy of muscles. Cut surfaces of musculature shows no recognizable old, recent, or fresh infarct. The coronary arteries show no significant atherosclerosis. Valve appearances and sizes are within normal limits.

HEMIC AND LYMPHATIC SYSTEM:

The abdominal and mediastinal nodes are not remarkably enlarged. The spleen weighs 160 grams, has a slightly wrinkled capsule and moderately firm red-purple decongested parenchyma. The vertebral marrow is red-brown in color.

DIGESTIVE SYSTEM:

The esophagus contains a small amount of regurgitated material. The stomach contains approximately 200 cc of granular brownish material. The mucosa shows no significant congestion. The small bowel, appendix, and colon are grossly normal except for the perforations in the loose of bowel and mesentery as noted previously. No significant hemorrhage into lumen is noted. There is minimal clotted blood present in the area. The pancreas shows early postmortem autolytic changes and shows no evidence of inflammation or fibrosis. The liver weighs 2320 grams, has a smooth capsule and pale yellow-brown, glistening appearance. The lobules show some accentuation. Minimal early fibrosis is present. The gallbladder and biliary tree are grossly normal.

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UROGENITAL SYSTEM:

The kidneys weigh: right - 170 grams, left - 160 grams. The capsules strip with ease. The cortex is up to 4-5 mm in thickness. The vessels show no gross abnormality. The pelves, ureters, and urinary bladder are grossly normal. The prostate weighs approximately 30-40 grams, has the usual fibronodular appearances and shows no recognizable evidence of inflammation. The testes are descended in the scrotum.

ENDOCRINE SYSTEM:

The adrenals show no recognizable abnormality. The thyroid weighs approximately 25-30 grams, shows moderately extensive hemorrhage into the connective tissues surrounding. The parathyroids are not grossly enlarged. The pituitary shows no gross abnormality.

SKULL AND CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:

The scalp shows no significant hemorrhage. The calvarium shows no evidence of injury or fractures, old, recent, or fresh. The brain weighs 1450 grams. The leptomeninges are clear and transparent and show minimal congestion. The arteries at the base show no significant atherosclerosis. Multiple sections through cerebrum, cerebellum, midbrain, and pons show no recognizable hemorrhage, infarct, or neoplasm. There is a slight early yellowish-green discoloration of the tissue. The ventricular system is slightly diminished in size. There is slight grooving of uncinate. There is minimal herniation of cerebellar tonsils.

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM:

No fractures of the extremities are palpable. The ribcage shows no recognizable fractures. The cervical spine shows a slight laceration to the left at approximately the C-3, C-4 level. However, penetration into the canal is not demonstrated, and no recognizable contusions or lacerations of the cord are demonstrated. The thoracic and lumbar spine are grossly normal.

TOXICOLOGY:

A specimen of blood is submitted for toxicological purposes.

SECTIONS - Routine hold sections are taken.

NOTE - Sargeant Knuckles from Central Homicide Division present at autopsy.

David M. Katsuyama
DAVID M. KATSUYAMA, M.D.
DEPUTY MEDICAL EXAMINER

DMK:AMJ::G
9/11/69

Anterior flexion 2+
 Posterior flexion 2+
 Right lateral flexion 2+
 Left lateral flexion 2+

LIVER TEMPERATURE - 83

AW: ?
 SHOULDER: 1+
 ELBOW: 1+
 WRIST: 1+

HIP: 3+
 KNEE: 3+
 ANKLE: 3+

WHERE TAKEN AT SCENE

DATE 8-11-69 TIME 4²¹

LIVOR MORTIS:

Use shading on diagrams to illustrate location.
 Describe intensity of coloration. (use scale)
 Permanent or blanches under pressure? Describe.



NONE NOTED

BODY
CLOTHED



SCALE

4+ = Extreme Degree
 3+
 2+
 1+
 0 = Absence/Negative

mark:

John C. Vondra
 Coroner's Investigator

Date 8-11-69 Time 7⁰⁰

REPORT OF CHEMICAL ANALYSIS

LOS ANGELES COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER-CORONER

Toxicology Laboratory
Hall of Justice
Los Angeles, California

File No. 69-8859

Leno LaBianca

Lab No. 8-204-69

August 12, 1969

Time 8 A.M.

D. Katsuyama, M.D.

Blood <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Liver	Stomach
Brain	Lung	Lavage
Femur	Spleen	Urine
Kidney	Sternum	Gall bladder
Drugs	Chemicals	

Ethanol, Barbiturates

Blood: Ethanol absent

Blood: Barbiturates absent

E.R. Thompson

Toxicologist

Date August 18, 1969

Eric S. Wright

Toxicologist

August 18, 1969

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BODY FULL LENGTH ANTERIOR

Leno LaBianca

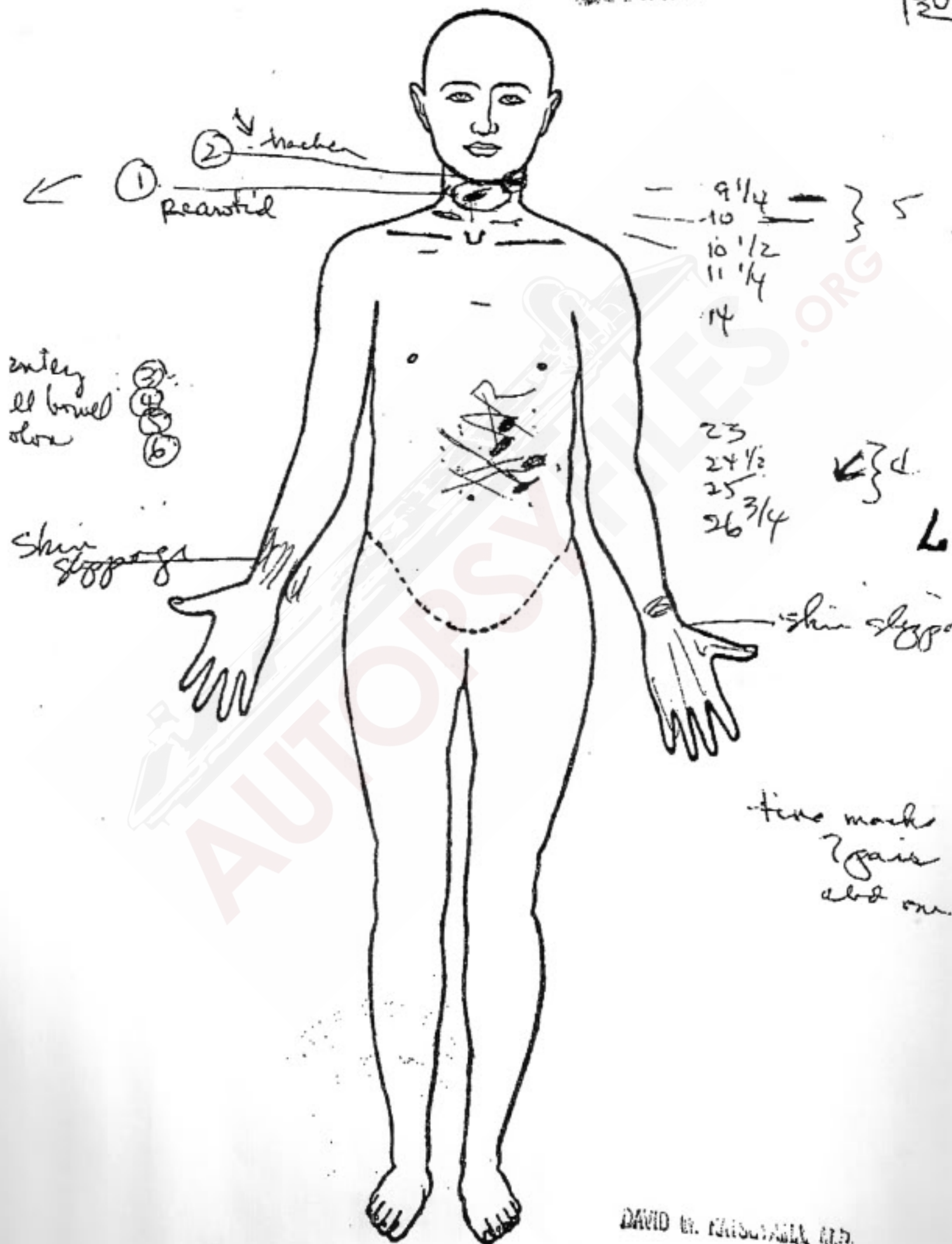
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Deputy Medical Examiner.

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PERITONEUM

BRAIN WT 1452

Fluid
Adhes
VER Wt 237
Caps S
Lobul m
Fibros min
G B O
Calc

Dura 5
Fluid
Ventric 1
Vessels 0.1
Ears 1
Nasal Sin
PITUITARY 0.1

Bile ducts 0
SPLEEN Wt 160
Color RP
Consist ft
Caps SW
Malpighi
PANCREAS 0
ADRENALS
KIDNEYS Wt 120 160
Caps E
Cortex 45
Vessels 0
Pelvis 0
Ureter 0

TOXICOLOGY

SECTIONS

GROSS IMPRESSION

BLADDER ✓
GENITALIA
Prost 30-40
Testes JJ
~~Uterus~~
~~Tubes~~
Ovar

Sit. nucleolus
central
R coated
transcribed
expansion
egg. bodies
fatty contents
liver

OESOPHAGUS *neg.*
 STOMACH *200 gran b*
 DUOD & SM INT *perf. 3-*
 APPENDIX *b*
 LARGE INT *perf 1 asc.*
 ABDOM NODES
 SKELETON
 Spine
 Marrow *RB*

TRACHEA
THYROID
THYMUS

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Information from Officer Galindo, D.H.Q., LAPD. at scene.

The decedent and his wife Rosemary were found at approx. 10:30 P.M., 8-10-69, by her children, Susan and Frankie Struthers. The boy Frankie, age about 14, came to the decedents home at 8:00 P.M., but received no response at the door. He then went to his sister's apartment, and he, the sister, and the sister's fiancé returned. They obtained a key to the back door off a key ring that was in the ignition switch of a car parked in driveway in back of the house.

On entering, they observed the following scene; The decedent was lying on the floor, between a couch and a large coffee table. A 2 prong fork from a carving set was stuck in decedent's abdomen. There were multiple stab wounds to abdomen, and the word WAR had been crudely carved on decedent's lower chest. His head was wrapped in a white, bloody pillow case, secured by an electrical cord still attached to a large table lamp.

On the front wall, near the upper left corner of the door, the word RISE was printed in blood. On the back wall of the living room the phrase "DEATH TO PIGS" was printed, also in blood. On the door of the refrigerator, the words "HEALTER SKELTER" was hurriedly printed, and obviously misspelled.

Upon seeing all this, the children ran across the street to call the police. When police arrived a more thorough search revealed the following additional scene. The side door of the drawing room, separating the living room from the kitchen was ajar. On further investigation, the officers found decedent's wife Rosemary (CASE# 69 8860) in the bedroom, lying face down

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between the bed and a low-boy chest. The head was covered with a pillow case and secured around the neck with an electrical cord still attached to a large table lamp. The lamp and lamp table were askew, the room showed signs of a struggle. Money (\$1.00 bills) ~~was~~ on the floor along with other items that had possibly been knocked off the night stands. Her nightgown was up over the buttocks and there were numerous stab wounds and scratches on the back and buttocks, but no blood.

Both bodies were dressed for sleep, the man (case # 69-8859) being in pajamas, the woman (case # 69-8860) was in a nightgown and a house-coat. THE FORK IN THE MAN'S ABDOMEN WAS INSERTED SUPERFICIALLY AND WOULD HAVE FALLEN OUT UPON REMOVAL OF BODY FROM SCENE. Police have impounded the lamps to which the decedents were tied, also the large fork that was protruding from the man's abdomen. Some hairs were taken from the woman's hands, and plastic bags applied to protect any other possible evidence from loss or destruction.

The house where the slayings took place is on a hilly, winding street, in a rather secluded middle class neighborhood. It was an older home, but very tastefully and expensively appointed. The car from which the son had procured the back door key was an old Thunderbird coupe.

NO SUSPECTS IN CUSTODY

NOTIFY CENTRAL HOMICIDE
FOR AUTOPSY

OBTAIN ADDITIONAL BLOOD
ON ROSEMARY

John C. Vondra