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This real-life tragedy began on a stormy night with a knock at the front door. A friend needed help with his car. What happened to Carl, Lisa, Gregory, and Felicia that night is worse than any fictional horror story you've ever read or seen on the big screen. Little girls should never have to live in a barrel ... Award-winning journalist and best-selling author George Jared takes readers on a gripping and chilling journey with his latest true-crime book, *The Creek Side Bones ... Reality is more horrifying than fiction*. The book details how the Elliott family in Dalton, Ark., lived in constant fear in the summer 1998. How they met their fates is ghastly. Jared covered two murder trials in connection with the case, and provides his own theories as to how and why the Elliott family was murdered. Four other murder cases are also detailed in the book. Sidney Nicole Randall was a beauty pageant queen, about to enter high school when a monster stole her away in the dark. Bridgett Sellers was a mother of three who vanished without a trace while on a walk down Peace Valley Road. Her fate is incomprehensible. Bob Castleman was a respected attorney and Vietnam War vet until the drugs, murder, a live copperhead snake; Native American artifact fraud consumed his life. The book also includes an update on the unsolved Rebekah Gould case. The 22-year-old college student was murdered Sept. 20, 2004, in Melbourne, Arkansas. There are suspects in the case, but to this day, no one has been jailed for her brutal death. Jared has won numerous first place awards for investigative journalism, feature writing, news stories, and others with the coveted Associated Press Managing Editors and the Arkansas Press Association. His first book *Witches in West Memphis ... and another false confession* detailed his coverage of the internationally famous "West Memphis Three" case. Three Marion, Ark., teens - Damien Echols, Jason Baldwin, and Jessie Misskelley Jr. - were convicted in the 1993 murders Christopher Byers, Stevie Branch, and Michael Moore. The boys' bodies were found nude and bound in a drainage ditch near their homes one day after they disappeared May 5, 1993. Prosecutors claimed the boys were sacrificed in a Satanic ceremony orchestrated by the convicted. There was only one problem. These three didn't do it. It took nearly 20 years to free them. Jared wrote more stories about the case than any journalist in the world. He was cited in *Life After Death*, a New York Times best-selling book about the case. He also received credit for in the Academy Award nominated documentary *Paradise Lost Three ... Purgatory* also about the case. Through the years, the longtime newsman has written thousands of stories on a wide range of topics. Get a copy of *The Creek Side Bones* today.

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Trey says

This book is epic. I could not put it down. Each chapter is a story on to itself. This author has a masterful way of presenting these sad cases. He's written another book "Witches in West Memphis" about the internationally famous West Memphis Three case. It's a great read too. Can't wait to read his next book!

Ronnie Cramer says

You'd think a book of only eighty pages would get down to business and tell the story in a straight-forward manner; in this case you'd be mistaken--it's all over the place and what's more the author talks about himself as much as anything else.

Stephanie Davis says

Once you start this book you won't stop! Very detailed account of several murders that took place in Northeast Arkansas. It was very interesting to read from an investigating journalist point of view.....someone just looking for the facts! Many times our legal system muddies the water so much it creates public doubt---coupled with all insider corruption! Mr. Jared ask the hard questions and doesn't give up---I like his tenacity! You won't be disappointed!

Mark Randall says

The Creekside Bones is bound to please any fan of true crime. Being from northeast Arkansas this book is an especially interesting read. Author George Jared, an award winning journalist who covered these cases, takes you behind the scenes of four pretty horrifying cases to the crime scene and into the courtroom. Without giving away too much, here is an overview of the cases: A judge mails a live copperhead snake to a neighbor to silence them about his drug operation; a mother goes for a walk down a seemingly peaceful country road but is later found murdered; a family is slaughtered and their nine year old daughter take and tortured by a father-son tandem; lastly, a 15 year old high school girl is brutally murdered by her step-father. Jared tells the stories in an east to read style that will keep you turning the page. It's like the subtitle says...the truth really is stranger than fiction. If you like The Creekside Bones you will definitely want to read his other book about the West Memphis 3 case called "Witches of West Memphis."

Bridget Holbert says

Several short stories on some small town murders. Not a long book.

GERALD GENTRY says

A haunting book filled with stories and people you will never be able to erase from your mind.

Joey Pillow says

This was a pretty good book but there were a couple of errors regarding the investigations and quotes supposedly made by law enforcement.

Sherri Miller says

Oh my

I passed this book three times for others and I must tell u Mr George Jared as I sit in children's with my daughter who has cancer I hold her closer and I actually can say this book brought tears to my eyes. You a amazing author

SHARON LUCILLE ALEXANDER says

More like an article than a book

I appreciate the information on these heinous crimes. However, I kept finding myself wanting to rewrite paragraphs to support flow.

Amanda says

Overall, the true crime stories included in Jared's book are fascinating and well informative for small town incidents.

Unfortunately, Jared adds in unnecessary aspects of his life and facts of the areas, that aren't relevant to the information of the crimes at hand. The facts of the areas are nice, but are misplaced. This makes it harder to follow the overall story he is trying to inform readers of.

If you can skip past all of the nonsensical facts and his purposeful use of larger words just for the use of a large word, it's a decent read.

Judy Gottfried says

Very good read.

I live close to where many of these murders occurred. Very good reporting. I Will read more from this author.

Jennifer says

I remember these events happening and hearing the news stories, but to read the point of view of someone more involved than just being a spectator of the media was quite interesting. Its a quick read and a well written inside view.

Edwina Gates says

Interesting reading

Since I live in the area where most of the stories are based I find it is a good read.

Linda S Crusing says

Very interesting compilation

This was a very interesting compilation of very horrible crimes. Reality is so much more horrifying than fiction. Definitely a good read.

Lesleigh says

This book was very interesting and insightful. It presented facts about murders and crimes that took place in my local area. There was quite a bit of new information that I had never read about or heard before. It was so eerie to read this book for me personally because my family has ties to three of the crimes/people discussed. My mother was a juror for one of the last Green trials. My family was fishing at Old Davidsonville the day Sidney's body was found. My grandmother's attorney was Bob Castleman. I suppose these coincidences aren't too unusual, considering we live in a small town where everyone knows everyone.

The book was well written, although I caught at least 5 editing and punctuation mistakes. I would have given a higher rating if the book was more focused on the crimes and didn't offer as much unimportant personal backstory from the author. Overall, this is a solid crime novel and I would recommend it to anyone living in Northeast Arkansas.
