

[Books In Sync](#) Author Spotlight Interview With True Crime Author [Douglas Chandler Graham](#)

[Books In Sync True Crime Author](#), Private Investigator, Previously Certified In Virginia And Florida-Retired Douglas Chandler Graham Publishes [Smoke and Murders](#) And [Three Trailers Down](#).



[Douglas Chandler Graham](#) grew up in rural Virginia close to Lakeside Amusement Park. He worked summers at this park from the age of twelve until he was eighteen when he joined the U.S. Army Air Force. Honorably discharged from the military, he became a street cop in Roanoke, Virginia. Over the years, he has been a bill collector, salesman, and postman. After retiring from the Postal Service, he became a certified private investigator and bodyguard. He has lived in Florida since 2000.

His first book ‘Smoke and Murders’ is a fictionalized story of the murder of the Hodges family as discovered in the small town of Vinton, Virginia, on August 29, 1994. Most of the characters are composites of people known to the author and, except for the murders; most of the situations are made up. Fascinated by the sequence of events as they unfolded, the author could not get the crime off his mind, and over the years, Smoke and Murders evolved. Urged by family and friends to finish the story, the author hopes that it will spark some interest in the real story of a man he believes was falsely convicted.

Books In Sync Honors Douglas Chandler Graham For Service To His Country In The United States Military.

Sequel to [Smoke and Murders](#) (“[Three Trailers Down](#)”) Is Here As Promised!

Author [Douglas Chandler Graham](#) Resides In Holly Hill, Florida USA

Q: Tell us what makes you proud to be a writer from Holly Hill, Florida USA?

A: I love the Florida weather and writing is something I think of whatever I happen to be doing, driving, gardening, etc.

Q: What or who inspired you to become a writer?

A: A couple friends, but my daughter insisted I had something to write.

Q: When did you begin writing with the intention of becoming published?

A: About six months ago I really decided to finish what I had started about ten years ago.

Q: Did your environment or upbringing play a major role in your writing and why? A: Only in the fact I read a lot.

Q: Do you come up with your title (s) before or after you write the manuscript (s)? A: While in the last stages of the novel. A month before it was finished.

Q: Tell us why you write the genre (s) that you write?

A: The story is a fictional account of a real crime.

Q: Tell us your most rewarding experience while in the writing process?

A: Finishing the novel.

Q: Tell us your most negative experience while in the writing process?

A: I lost a big chunk of the story by not backing it up. Great lesson!

Q: Tell us your most rewarding experience in your publishing journey?

A: I don't think there was one.

Q: Tell us your most negative experience in your publishing journey?

A: The publisher assigned me to a person I dealt with that English was not her first language. Everything I asked was late in the reply, just a lot of miscommunication. Expensive! Just watch who you are dealing with and if there is any inkling of a problem, find someone else.

Q: What one positive piece of advice would you give to other authors?

A: I had problems from start to finish in getting my first book published. They are selling my book, but I don't trust them. So follow the advice I just mentioned.

Q: Who Is Your Favorite Author?

A: John Steinbeck

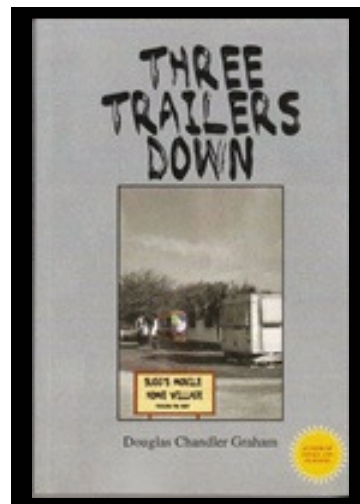
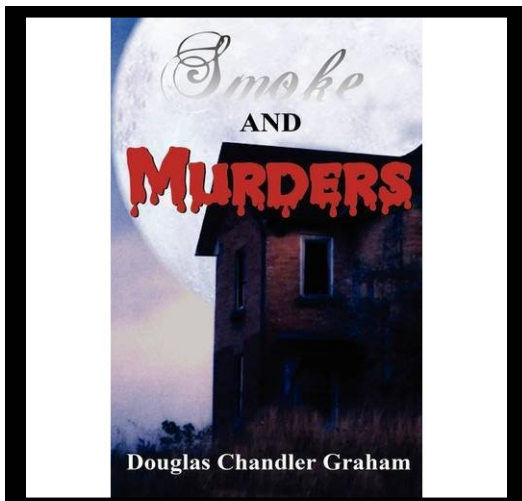
Q: What Format (s) are your books in: Print Only.....E-Book Only....or Both?

A: Paperback, Hardback and Kindle. No E-book.

Current Books:

Smoke and Murders

Three Trailers Down



Genre: True Crime/Biography & Autobiography/General

Douglas Chandler Graham's Websites:

<http://www.threetrailersdown.com>

<http://smokeandmurders.com>

<http://allamosa.com>

<http://www.llumina.com/store/smokeandmurders.htm>

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