

Mr. Garrabrant confirmed that Earl had been a heavy drinker going back as long as their relationship. The defendant had a high tolerance and often would not appear drunk even after 10-15 beers in a sitting. There was no specific behavior pattern evident when he was drunk, such as aggression or hypersexual behavior. Sometimes he was so drunk that he would stay over at Mr. Garrabrant's house rather than drive home.

The witness was aware of Earl's preoccupation with being identified as a pedophile but had never observed any behaviors suggesting sexual abnormality. Mr. Garrabrant himself has a 14-year-old daughter at this time and was never concerned about Earl's contact with her. He did, however, know that Mr. Bramblett had a reputation for picking up rather young dates, buying them beer, and going off to the beach together for a weekend. He pointed out that Mr. Bramblett was "legendary" for this. He added that many questionable young ladies hung around Mr. Bramblett's print making shop because it was a lower income neighborhood with comparatively little to do.

He had never known Earl to have been violent in the past. He described Mr. Bramblett as staying calm and visibly "counting to 10" before expressing emotions. Even when he was drunk he had not been violent. He had never threatened him or anyone else to his knowledge or displayed a weapon.

He viewed Earl as a highly talented paint screener who was very good at his work and highly reliable. They did many projects together. Sometimes Earl would sublet the shop to do a project that he had been retained for and he always left it neat and clean.

On the day of the offense, Mr. Bramblett had been at the home of Mr. Garrabrant sometime in the morning of the arson. They went their respective ways to separate jobs. When Mr. Garrabrant drove past the area where the Hodges lived and saw the police cars he asked someone what had happened. When he realized that the Hodges home was on fire he telephoned Earl. Earl acted shocked and offered to make space for his friends live with him. They had no contact during the two years prior to his arrest.

This photo was taken back when Bramblett was the "legendary" figure his friend is talking about. It was made in the nineteen-seventies sexual revolution. Fourteen, fifteen and sixteen year old girls were going to bars and clubs. Not many were ever asked their age or turned away.

It was a lower class neighborhood where Earl's print shop was located and children around it had more knowledge of sex than the typical suburban teen at that time.



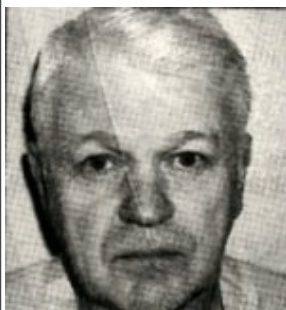
Earl Bramblett at trial. He had to sit there and see himself railroaded. You saw the letter to Terry Grimes



Earl Bramblett

about the pathetic performance Doubles was giving. Bramblett asked the judge if he could question the witnesses and was refused. Willett wasn't about to let anyone create doubt to the jurors.

Willett ruled against sending the trial somewhere else, ruled the pubic hair evidence knowing all the ways it could have gotten there, ruled the video made in different conditions could be shown. Willett was a prosecutor more than judge. Doubles had been a prosecutor in Roanoke City until a month before being appointed Bramblett's lawyer, Grimes was a lackey concerned with the crease in his trousers, and Williams, the "investigator" was new at the job. The system was dedicated to kill Earl Bramblett.



Earl Bramblett before he is murdered by the Commonwealth of Virginia. The executioner for the real murderers, Willett, Burkart, Leach, Keesee, Doubles, Grimes, et al.

Bramblett has given in to the inevitable. His appeals are the false evidence presented at trial. None show the new evidence about the lights not installed where the woman saw the truck, the truck coming from a driveway down the street, the conflicting evidence between people and times, perjury by Keesee and others, the gun not the murder weapon, setting up witnesses by Keesee, Burkart and Leach conspiring to deny Bramblett his civil rights. None used!

Bramblett's last words reported by Rod Belcher, Editor and General Manager of the Vinton Messenger, who attended the execution (Murder).

"I didn't murder the Hodges family. I've never murdered anybody. I am going to my death with a clear conscience. I'm going to my death having had a good life, because of my two great sons, Mike and Doug. Mike and Doug thank you. You blessed me. Be strong, remember the good times. I will love you forever. Thank you for blessing me."

I miss Earl Bramblett's letters. We corresponded several times a week after his conviction. I wish I could have done more. Nothing done made any difference. If someone had come forward and said they murdered the Hodges, Earl Bramblett would still been executed.

Justice meant nothing, evidence meant nothing, the courts, Federal and State, were determined if the lawyers and police wanted Earl Bramblett dead, they would oblige. It was a revelation to me.

Something else a revelation were the people on TV championing the "cause" of the defendants. The oriental Henry Lee, and other forensic doctors, Michael Baden and others. Their interest is where they *pretend* their interest is justice. Their interest is publicity for themselves, save your stamps and efforts.

The same for the lawyers, Alan Dershowitz and Jerry Spence, although Jerry did write saying he was too busy. These people are for their self aggrandizement and nothing else.

Centurion Ministries told me they only get involved after someone has been on death row twelve to fifteen years. They aren't going to be helping people in Virginia prisons . Earl was murdered after a little over five years

**I have a three inch ring binder full of letters written to organizations supposed to help innocent people. From the sheer number one should have taken an interest. None did.
Maybe now that Earl Bramblett is dead the story will have more pathos.
To seek justice for Earl Bramblett will be my mission till I die.**

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