

## **Earl Bramblett Was Framed!**

The object of these brutal murders was Teresa Hodges. Blaine Hodges was killed at the same time as the rest of the family, within a few minutes. The Vinton police got a phone call about shots being fired around three o'clock that morning. David Oxley was the hack medical examiner for Southwest Virginia at the time, never asked any questions about the crime or the fire. He misinterpreted the devastation the high heat had done to Blaine Hodge's body assuming Blaine had been dead longer. The heat was so high in the bedroom where it all collected that the blood was bubbling out of Blaine's body. This was never considered. Just one of the many cases Oxley got wrong in his long career. I talked with medical examiners and medical investigators in different states and all said it is impossible to say when someone died in high heat. A quick look at the corpse and Oxley made his decision.

The reasonable deduction is this crime happened to Teresa Hodges. She started up the stairway to wake Blaine. Someone caught her and a fight resulted. A handful of her hair was found on the staircase. She was garroted with a belt or electrical cord. This person was so enraged just killing her wasn't enough. They went to the outbuilding and got every liquid thought combustible, came back and splashed it over Teresa. Believing someone might wake before the heat and smoke killed them, they went upstairs and killed Blaine and the children. They moved the fan and closed the window so the next-door neighbor would not hear the shots. They lit the fire and left.

If the police had followed the lead that Teresa was having sex with other men they may have caught the killer. If the Medical Examiner performed the autopsy correctly there may have been DNA evidence. The Medical Examiners may have found DNA and suppressed it. Checking a victim's mouth for foreign substances is a requirement. Musallo, who did the autopsy on Teresa, told me that he did not check her mouth. This was a specific question I asked. He would not let me see anything.

Who would Teresa let in the house after dark. Why didn't she want to have the meeting of the Amway people that night? She assumed Winter was going to school the next morning. The sensible deduction would be someone she knew, possibly a relative. They may have brought Blaine in after a night of drinking and helped put him in bed. Then got to fooling around, Teresa was in her panties, and did something she wanted stopped. My guess would be a brother-in-law.

I have over a thousand letters Bramblett wrote and not one mentions Blaine home that night. Bramblett did not kill the Hodges. When police believe something there is never any turning away. We see even when DNA evidence exonerates someone the police never look further. They still believe they had the right person. The person(s) that killed the Hodges is still out there.

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