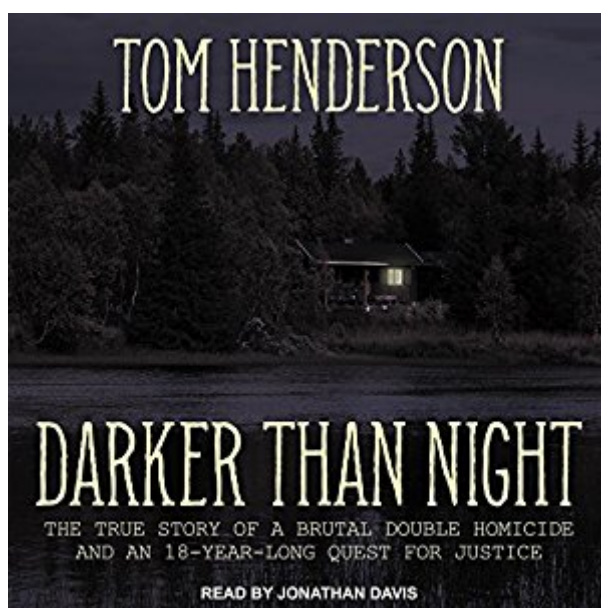


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Darker Than Night: The True Story Of A Brutal Double Homicide And An 18-Year Long Quest For Justice



Synopsis

In 1985, two 27-year-old friends left their suburban Detroit homes for a hunting trip in rural Michigan. When they did not return, their families and police suspected foul play. For 18 years, no one could prove a thing. Then, a relentless investigator got a witness to talk, and a horrifying story emerged. In 2003, this bizarre case hit the glare of the criminal justice system, as prosecutors charged two brothers, Raymond and Donald Duvall, with murder. With no bodies ever found, the case hinged on the testimony of one terrified witness who saw a bloody scene unfold - and who was still nearly too frightened to talk. Now, the truth behind an 18-year-old mystery is revealed against the backdrop of an unusual, electrifyingly dramatic trial. Raymond and Donald Duvall bragged to friends that they killed their victims, chopped up their bodies, and fed them to pigs. A Michigan jury soon had evidence of this brutally methodical execution - evidence that would lead a shocked courtroom through the heart of evil and beyond a shadow of a doubt.

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Customer Reviews

I live in Michigan and my brother hunts in that area and did at that time. He also frequented the bars that the Duvall brothers did. It was a good story. I like the style of writing from a journalist's point of view, instead of all the flowery stuff of other writers. I don't need to know that some one had a picket fence around their house and waste 10 pages reading stuff not related to the importance of the crime. I want just the facts and this was laid out nicely. If you read it just pay attention to the names and who the people are as they appear frequently in the book.

Difficulty book to put down once you start reading it. The Prosecutor for the State was brilliant

The book kept me captivated the full length. I was amazed that two brothers could influence a whole region. The local sheriffs department was spineless. The author was right on when he said they were two notches lower than the characters in the movie Deliverance. The locals want people to come north and spend their hard earned dollar. Then torture and kill them because they pinch a bar flies ass. Give me a break .

Good read, keeps you hanging. If you are from this area or even familiar with it, this book will help to add to the mystery of the area. 2 Brothers who held captive an entire area of northern Michigan by bullying? Awesome that society caves still to such a tactic. This book helps to expose the monstrous ideals that the brothers perpetuated throughout even their own family. Although a bit drawn out in times with details that seem non-consequential to the book itself, it is still a great read.

I remember when this happened and all the publicity that followed. Having property in northern Michigan, I wondered for years how this case turned out. A retired policeman friend suggested I read this book. I found it a terrific read!

Being from the same hometown as the Duvall Brothers and having been to the same locations as were mentioned in this book, I can tell you that this is really messed up. My heart and prayers go out to the families and friends of the hunters as well as the brave witnesses that have endured such an awful experience for so many years in silence. Even after all these years the memories of such a horrible and terrifying experience can invade the places where peace should be. May the family members of the 2 hunters now find some satisfaction (if that is possible) knowing that justice was served on earth however, it's not over yet...and the final judgement day still lies ahead. May the Lord Bless you and give you His peace.

Two buddies from Southern Michigan decide to join family and friends at their traditional deer camp up north. At last minute, they take a detour and head east for Mio, to drink, party and raise hell. There were a few sightings in the Mio area: they asked directions of a local homeowner, and they were seen at a few bars. Then nothing. But over the years rumors kept circulating that they had crossed paths with the Duvall brothers. The Duvalls lived in squallor, migrating between occasional factory jobs in Southern Michigan and raising pigs and selling wood and committing petty larceny in

Northern Michigan. The locals lived in fear of the Duvalls. State Policeman Bronco Lesneski spent years tracking down the sources of rumors about the Duvalls' involvement in the disappearance. This makes for a very creepy, atmospheric story about just how bad human beings can be.

Couldn't put this book down. True crime at it's best. Well written, easy to follow and one heck of a story! i have read a few true crime books(including In Cold Blood and The Onion Field).. this ranks with the best. It is truly a crime with some unique(and gruesome) turns and twist. But the book stays the course. You don't get a lot of pointless explanations or unneeded information. The book covers this particular event and the people involved from beginning to end without wandering off course. If you want to read a great true crime book... spend your money here!!

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