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| **Judias Buenoano** *“Black Widow”* | | |  |
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| **Date** | **Age** | **Life Event** | |
| 04-04-1943 | 0 | Born in Quanah, Texas | |
| 1945 | 2 | Judias’ mother dies of TB | |
| 1955 | 12 | Judias’ father remarries | |
| 1957 | 14 | She is sent to jail for 60 days for attacking stepbrothers and stepmother | |
| 5-59 | 16 | Graduates from Foothills High, a juvenile detention center | |
| 03-30-1961 | 18 | First son Michael Shultz is born (later changed to Michael Goodyear) | |
| 11-21-1962 | 19 | Judias marries James Goodyear | |
| 11-16-1966 | 23 | James Goodyear, Jr. is born | |
| 1967 | 24 | Kimberly is born to James and Judias | |
| 09-15-1971 | 28 | James Goodyear, her husband, dies I Orange County, Florida (arsenic poisoning). Judias receives life insurance. | |
| 1973 | 30 | Met Bobby Joe Morris | |
| 1977 | 34 | Moves in with Bobby Morris in Trinidad, Colorado | |
| 7-77 | 34 | Burns a home and collects insurance policy | |
| 01-23-1978 | 35 | Death of Bobby (by arsenic poison). Judias gains life insurance. | |
| 05-13-1980 | 37 | Michael Goodyear (WM, 19), her first born, dies in boating incident in Santa Rosa County, Florida. Judias drowns him because previous attempt to poison him failed. She also collects multiple life insurance policies. | |
| 2-1981 | 38 | Meets John Gentry | |
| 8-1981 | 38 | Judias and John move in together | |
| 06-25-1983 | 40 | John Gentry’s car explodes at the Driftwood restaurant and he survives | |
| 07-27-1983 | 40 | Judias is arrested on the charge of attempted murder of John Gentry and further investigations begin | |
| 01-10-1984 | 41 | Judias receives an indictment for murder and grand theft concerning Michael Goodyear and is arrested and sent to jail | |
| 03-22-1984 | 41 | A trial begins for the murder of Michael Goodyear | |
| 03-31-1984 | 41 | A jury returns a verdict of guilty of the first degree murder of her son Michael Goodyear and grand theft for the collection of insurance policies | |

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| 06-06-1984 | 41 | Judias receives her sentence for murder of Michael, life without parole | |
| 10-16-1984 | 41 | Judias’ trial for attempted murder of John Gentry begins | |
| 10-18-1984 | 41 | A jury finds Judias guilty of attempted first degree murder concerning John Gentry | |
| 10-22-1985 | 42 | Trial for murder of her first husband James Goodyear begins | |
| 11-01-1985 | 42 | Jury finds her guilty of first degree murder of James Goodyear | |
| 11-26-1985 | 42 | A judge sentences Judias to electrocution for murder of James Goodyear | |
| 1986-90 | 46-50 | Appeals are filed and initial verdicts and sentencing upheld | |
| 03-30-1998 | 55 | Judias was executed in electric chair in Florida State Prison | |
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| **General Information** | | | |
| Sex: | | | Female |
| Race | | | White |
| Number of victims | | | 3 killed 1 attempted |
| Country where killing occurred | | | United States |
| States where killing occurred | | | Florida |
| Type of killer | | | Organized Gain Killer |
| Height | | | 5’7” |
| **Childhood Information** | | | |
| Date of birth | | | April 4,1943 |
| Location | | | Quanah, Texas |
| Birth order | | | 3rd of 4 |
| Number of siblings | | | 3 |
| XYY? | | | Unknown |
| Raised by | | | Father and grandparents. |
| Birth category | | | Middle |
| Parent’s marital status | | | Married, mother dies father remarries |
| Family event | | | Mother died at age 2 |
| Age of family event | | | 2 |
| Problems in school? | | | Unknown |
| Teased while in school? | | | No |
| Physically attractive? | | | No |
| Physical defect? | | | No |
| Speech defect? | | | No |
| Head injury? | | | No |
| Physically abused? | | | Hit, starved, burned with cigarettes, had to do slave work in home |
| Psychologically abused? | | | No |
| Sexually abused? | | | Unknown |
| Father’s occupation | | | Farmer |
| Age of first sexual experience | | | Unknown |
| Age when first had intercourse | | | Unknown |
| Mother’s occupation | | | Indian |
| Father abused drugs/alcohol | | | No |
| Mother abused drugs/alcohol | | | No |
| **Cognitive Ability** | | | |
| Highest grade in school | | | High School Diploma |
| Grades in school | | | Unknown |
| IQ | | | Unknown |
| **Work History** | | | |
| Served in the military? | | | No |
| Applied for job as a cop? | | | No |
| Worked in law enforcement? | | | No |
| Fired from jobs? | | | No |

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| Types of jobs worked | Childcare center, nurses aide, LPN, psychologist |
| Employment status during series | Employed as one of the above |
| **Relationships** | |
| Sexual preference | Heterosexual |
| Marital status | Married, then single |
| Number of children | 3 |
| Lives with her children | Yes |
| Living with | Self and children and usually the victim |
| **Triad** | |
| Animal torture | No |
| Fire setting | Yes; own home |
| Bed wetting | No |
| **Killer Psychological Information** | |
| Abused drugs? | No |
| Abused alcohol? | Suspected alcohol use |
| Been to a psychologist? | No |
| Time in forensic hospital? | None |
| **Killer Criminal History** | |
| Committed previous crimes? | Yes, previously attacked step siblings |
| Spend time in jail? | Yes, 60 days |
| Spend time in prison? | No |
| Killed prior to series? Age? | No |
| **Serial Killing** | |
| Number of victims | 3 murders and one attempted murder |
| Victim type | Boyfriend, husband, son |
| Killer age at start of series | 28 |
| Gender of victims | Male |
| Race of victims | White |
| Age of victims | 19, 35, 37 |
| Method of killing | Poison except son who drowned when poisoning didn’t work |
| Type of serial killer | Organized – Financial Gain – Black Widow |
| How close did killer live? | Lived with them |
| Killing occurred in home of victim? | Yes |
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| Weapon | No weapon |
| Behavior During Crimes | |
| Rape? | No |
| Tortured victims? | No |
| Stalked victims? | No |
| Overkill? | No |
| Quick & efficient? | No |
| Used blindfold? | No |
| Bound the victims? | No |
| After Death Behavior | |
| Sex with the body? | No |
| Mutilated body? | No |
| Ate part of the body? | No |
| Drank victim’s blood? | No |
| Posed the body? | No |
| Took totem – body part | No |
| Took totem – personal item | No |
| Robbed victim or location | No |

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| Disposal of Body | |
| Left at scene, no attempt to hide | Yes |
| Sentencing | |
| Date killer arrested | July 27,1983 |
| Date convicted | March 30,1980 for Michael October 18,1984 for James November 1,1985 for John |
| Sentence | Life without parole and execution |
| Killer executed? | Yes by electrocution |
| Did killer plead NGRI? | No |
| Name and state of prison | Broward County Women’s Detention Center, Florida |
| Killer committed suicide? | No |
| Killer killed in prison? | No |
| Date of death | March 30, 1998 by execution |
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