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| Lorenzo Gilyard | | |  |
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| **Date** | **Age** | **Life Event** | |
| 05/24/1950 | 0 | Born in Kansas City, Missouri | |
| 02/12/1953 | 2 | Brother, Darryl, is born | |
| 07/20/1958 | 8 | Sister, Patricia, is born | |
| 1967 | 17 | Married his pregnant girlfriend | |
| 1970 | 20 | Lorenzo’s father is convicted of rape and sent to prison | |
| 04/17/1977 | 27 | Stacie L. Swofford (WF, 17), was found dead in a vacant lot at 45th Street and Euclid Avenue | |
| 01/23/1980 | 30 | Gwendolyn Kizine (BF, 15), was reported missing on January 22, 1980, and was found dead the next day behind a building at 1312 the Paseo | |
| 11/1981 | 32 | Gilyard’s longest stretch in prison, after a stealing conviction | |
| 05/09/1982 | 32 | Margaret J. Miller (BF, 17), was found dead in a vacant lot near 37th Street and Garfield Avenue | |
| 1983 |  | Gilyard’s sister (Patricia Dixon), a prostitute, is sent to prison for the murder of a john and a fellow hooker | |
| 03/14/1986 | 35 | Catherine M. Barry, 34, was found dead in an abandoned building near 30th and Central streets | |
| 08/16/1986 | 36 | Naomi Kelly, 23, was found dead in a city park at 10th and Harrison streets | |
| 11/27/1986 | 36 | Debbie Blevins, 32, was found dead in bushes outside a church at 38th and Wyandotte streets. | |
| 04/17/1987 | 36 | The body of Ann Barnes, 36, was found 10 years after Swofford, at 13th Street and Lydia Avenue. | |
| 06/09/1987 | 37 | Kellie A. Ford, 20, was found dead in Roanoke Park at 1300 W. Valentine Road. | |

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| 09/12/1987 | 37 | Angela Mayhew, 19, was found dead in the 2600 block of Genessee Street. | |
| 11/03/1987 | 37 | Shelia Ingold, 36, was found dead in an abandoned van parked in the 3700 block of Troost Avenue. | |
| 12/19/1987 | 37 | Carmeline Hibbs, 30, was found dead in a parking lot at 3560 Broadway | |
| 02/12/1989 | 38 | Helga Kruger (WF, 26) is murdered. | |
| 1989 | 38 | Brother, Darryl, is sentenced to life in prison for a drug-related murder | |
| 01/11/1993 | 43 | The body of Connie Luther, 29, was discovered in a snowdrift at 25th Street and Allen Terrace | |
| 04/18//2004 | 54 | Gilyard arrested after his DNA (taken in 1987) was matched with victim DNA in a national database. | |
| 04/29/2004 | 54 | Indicted by the Grand Jury on 12 counts of murder. | |
| June, 2006 | 56 | Prosecutors file a 13th murder charge against Gilyard for the death in February 1989 of Helga Kruger (26). | |
| 08/24/2006 | 56 | Motion made by defense to delay trial until March, 2007. | |
| 03/16/2007 | 56 | Convicted of six counts of murder: Barry, Kelly, Barnes, Ford, Ingold, and Hibbs | |
| **General Information** | | | |
| Sex | | | Male |
| Race | | | Black |
| Number of victims | | | 13 |
| Country where killing occurred | | | United States |
| States where killing occurred | | | Missouri |
| City where killing occurred | | | Kansas City |
| Type of killer | | | Organized lust |
| Height | | | 5'8” |
| **Childhood Information** | | | |
| Date of birth | | | 05/24/1950 |
| Location | | | Kansas City, MO |
| Birth order | | | 1st of 3 |
| Number of siblings | | | 2 |
| XYY? | | |  |
| Raised by | | | Both birth parents |
| Birth category | | | Oldest |
| Parent’s marital status | | | Married |
| Family event | | |  |
| Age of family event | | | Yes |
| Problems in school? | | |  |
| Teased while in school? | | |  |
| Physically attractive? | | |  |
| Physical defect? | | | No |
| Speech defect? | | | No |

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| Head injury? |  |
| Physically abused? |  |
| Psychologically abused? |  |
| Sexually abused? |  |
| Father’s occupation |  |
| Age of first sexual experience |  |
| Age when first had intercourse |  |
| Mother’s occupation |  |
| Father abused drugs/alcohol |  |
| Mother abused drugs/alcohol |  |
| **Cognitive Ability** | |
| Highest grade in school | 10 |
| Highest degree | None |
| Grades in school |  |
| IQ |  |
| **Work History** | |
| Served in the military? | No |
| Branch |  |
| Type of discharge |  |
| Saw combat duty |  |
| Killed enemy during service? |  |
| Applied for job as a cop? | No |
| Worked in law enforcement? | No |
| Fired from jobs? |  |
| Types of jobs worked | Trash collector at Deffenbaugh Disposal, supervisor for trash collection in Kansas (Disposal Service Deffenbaugh ) |
| Employment status during series | Employed as a supervisor at a trash collection company, Deffenbaugh Disposal, since 1986. |
| **Relationships** |  |
| Sexual preference | Heterosexual |
| Marital status | Married |
| Number of children |  |
| Lives with his children |  |
| Living with | Spouse before arrest for the murders |
| **Triad** | |
| Animal torture |  |
| Fire setting |  |
| Bed wetting |  |
| **Killer Psychological Information** | |
| Abused drugs? |  |
| Abused alcohol? |  |
| Been to a psychologist? |  |
| Time in forensic hospital? |  |

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| Diagnosis |  |
| **Killer Criminal History** | |
| Committed previous crimes? | Yes. Rape, the assault of his ex-wife, burglary, a bomb threat, and stealing. |
| Spend time in jail? | Yes |
| Spend time in prison? | Yes |
| Killed prior to series? Age? |  |
| **Serial Killing** | |
| Number of victims | 13 (known victims) |
| Victim type | All but one of his victims were prostitutes and/or engaged in that lifestyle with use of drugs. The victim who was not a prostitute was a mentally ill woman in Kansas City who was known to frequently walk the streets and accept rides from strangers. |
| Killer age at start of series | 27 |
| Gender of victims | Female |
| Race of victims | 10 Caucasian, 3 African American |
| Age of victims | 15, 17, 17, 19, 20, 23, 26, 29, 30, 32, 34, 36, 36 |
| Method of killing | Strangled, most victims had pieces of clothing stuffed in their mouths and ligature marks on their necks. Some of the victims were posed. |
| Type of serial killer | Organized lust, disorganized thrill |
| How close did killer live? | Prosecutors believe that he drove to the crime scenes |
| Killing occurred in home of victim? | No |
| Killing occurred in home of killer? | No |
| Weapon | Killer brought with him, killer found at scene, no weapon. Weapons included nylon  stockings, shoe strings and wire. |
| **Behavior During Crimes** - All killings involved sexual assault | |
| Rape? | All but one of killings involved some type of sexual assault |
| Tortured victims? |  |
| Stalked victims? | No, but prosecutors contend that in many of the cases Gilyard established contact with the victims several days before killing them. |
| Overkill? |  |
| Quick & efficient? |  |
| Used blindfold? |  |
| Bound the victims? | Some were bound with or had something tied |

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|  | around their neck |
| **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? | Frequently |
| Took totem – body part | No |
| Took totem – personal item | No evidence of this has been found |
| Robbed victim or location | No |
| **Disposal of Body** | |
| Left at scene, no attempt to hide | Yes |
| Left at scene, hidden | No |
| Left at scene, buried | No |
| Moved, no attempt to hide | Yes, on the occasions when the body was posed, bodies found in various places  (abandoned van, a field, a parking lot and a snow drift) |
| Moved, buried | No |
| Cut-up and disposed of body | No |
| Moved, took home | No |
| Sentencing | The prosecution is seeking the death penalty, the trial is scheduled for October 2006. On August 24, 2006 the defense requested the trial be postponed until March 2007. Gilyard is facing ten counts of first-degree murder and two counts of capital murder. |
| Date killer arrested | August 2004 |
| Date convicted | The trial was originally scheduled for October 2006, however, a motion was made on August 24, 2006 to postpone the trial until March 5, 2007 due to budget cuts in the state public defender system. The motion was granted. Throughout pre-trial hearing attorneys have debated several issues surrounding the case, including the possibility of eliminating the death penalty. A key piece of evidence was prematurely destroyed by the Kansas City Police Department, a blue coat with blood stains. Because of this the defense has  requested that the prosecutions death penalty motion be relinquished. The prosecution is seeking multiple trials with the first one solely focusing on five killings that occurred  between 1986 and 1987. |
| Sentence | Gilyard is awaiting trial, trial scheduled for |

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|  | March 2007. |
| Killer executed? | No |
| Did killer plead NGRI? | No, he simply plead not guilty |
| Was the NGRI plea successful? | Not applicable |
| Name and state of prison | While awaiting trial Gilyard is being held at the Missouri Department of Corrections. |
| Killer committed suicide? | No |
| Killer killed in prison? | No |
| Date of death | Still living |
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