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| Jon Scott Dunkle | | |  |
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| **Date** | **Age** | **Life Event** | |
| 10/11/1960 | 0 | Born in Los Angeles, California | |
|  |  | Former student clerk at Carlmont High | |
| 1980 |  | Father bought him a white Honda Civic | |
| 11/1981-11/1984 | 21-24 |  | |
|  |  | Attended Belmont Baptist | |
|  |  | Worker for Toys’R’Us | |
|  |  | Stole $1000 worth of gold jewelry from Belmont Lapidary while he worked there (was later fired and rehired 3 times) | |
|  |  | Stole gold parts from computer firm where he worked for security | |
| May 1981 |  | Entered a Youth for Christ training camp in Oregon. He claimed they made him work too hard so he quit | |
| 11/1981 | 21 | Arrested for DUI | |
| 11/08/1981 | 21 | Murdered John Davies (WM, 15) of Belmont | |
| May 1981 | 21 | Entered a Youth for Christ training camp in Oregon. He claimed they made him work too hard so he quit | |
| 1982 | 21 | Confessed to another DUI | |
|  |  | Tried to stab his friend John Wolfe with a butcher knife | |
| Aug 1982 | 21 | Arrested for a hit and run | |
| 11/05/1982 | 22 | Attempted to kill Steve Murphy (16) of San Mateo by running him over and throwing him in a ditch | |
|  |  | Worked for the Bubble Machine and fired for two customer complaints and having temper tantrums | |
| 12/31/1982 | 22 | Attempted to kill Monte Hansen but police considered the incident as a New Years Eve brawl | |
| Jan 1983 | 22 | Was hospitalized for injecting bacon fat into his penis while on LSD | |
| Jan 1983 | 22 | Worked for a gas station | |
| July-Aug 1983 | 22 | Was arrested for two more DUIs and sentenced to 120 days in prison and license revoked for 3 years | |
| 10/02/1984 | 23 | Murdered Lance Turner (WM, 12) of Belmont. Turner was stabbed 23 times. | |
| 12/04/1984 | 24 | Police interview Dunkle regarding the murder of John Davies. | |
| 12/07/1984 | 24 | Police interview Dunkle regarding the murder of Lance Turner. | |

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| Jan 1985 | 24 | Jon made friends with a girl named Lisa (who was really an undercover cop) | |
| 04/04/1985 | 24 | Breaks into the home of Richard Renne for the purpose of burglary. | |
| May 1985 | 24 | Was arrested for burglary of Richard Renne’s house | |
| 07/02/1985 | 24 | Murdered Sean Dannehl (WM, 12) of Sacramento | |
| 07/05/1985 | 24 | Police question Dunkle about Dannehl’s murder. | |
|  |  | Sent to the San Mateo County jail for the May burglary charge. | |
| 10/03/1986 | 25 | Jon confessed to the murders of Davies and Turner. | |
| 10/13/1986 | 26 | Dunkle is examined by prosecution psychiatrist Dr. James Missett. Missett believes Dunkle is malingering his schizophrenia. | |
| 05/27/1987 | 26 | Dunkle is examined by defense psychiatrist Dr. George Wilkinson. | |
| 06/02/1987 | 26 | Was transferred from San Mateo jail to Chope Hospital disabled under 5150 because was experiencing hallucinations and wanted to kill himself and was discharged back to jail to have acute paranoid disorder | |
| 01/05/1988 | 27 | Dunkle again examined by Dr. Wilkinson. | |
| 01/26/1988 | 27 | Dunkle examined for a third time by Dr. Wilkinson who found him competent. | |
| 05/19/1988 | 27 | Was diagnosed with chronic schizophrenia with acute exacerbation | |
| 03/21/1989 | 28 | Dunkle examined by court-appointed psychiatrist (Roland Levy) who concludes Dunkle is not competent to stand trial. | |
| 07/16/1989 | 28 | Dunkle again examined by Dr. Levy | |
| 08/03/1989 | 28 | Jury finds Dunkle competent to stand trial. | |
| 10/10/1989 |  | Trial begins for the murdesr of Davies and Turner. | |
| 12/06/1989 | 29 | Convicted of two counts of first-degree murder for the deaths of John Davis and Lance Turner | |
| 12/31/1994 | 34 | Plead guilty for the murder of Sean Dannehl. | |
| July 2002 | 41 | Jon was assigned a guardian due to his mental incompetence | |
| Present |  | Dunkle is still in prison and if his lawyer can prove that he is insane he can still escape execution | |
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| **General Information** | | | |
| Sex | | | Male |
| Race | | | White |
| Number of victims | | | 3 and 2 attempts |
| Country where killing occurred | | | United States |
| States where killing occurred | | | California |
| Cities where killing occurred | | | Belmont and Sacramento |
| Type of killer | | | Disorganized - anger |
| Height | | | Described as short but unspecified |
| **Childhood Information** | | | |
| Date of birth | | | October 11, 1960 |
| Location | | | Los Angeles, CA |
| Birth order | | | Unknown |
| Number of siblings | | | 2 |
| XYY? | | |  |
| Raised by | | | Both parents |
| Birth category | | | Unknown |
| Parent’s marital status | | | Married |
| Family event | | | Divorced in 1969 and remarried in 1971; brother Jeff was arrested for dealing drugs |
| Age of family event | | | 9 and 11; 10 |
| Problems in school? | | | Severe learning disabilities, temper tantrums, dyslexia, zero social skills |
| Teased while in school? | | | Yes |
| Physically attractive? | | | No, greasy hair, pimples, short, dirty teeth with a retainer |

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| Physical defect? | No |
| Speech defect? | No |
| Head injury? | No |
| Physically abused? | Yes, he hinted to close family friend that dad beats him, also his brother got mad at him and threw him out a window |
| Psychologically abused? | Yes, he was teased, kids used him only for alcohol and rides, his dad refused that anything was his Jon’s fault and that his friends and the police made him do bad things |
| Sexually abused? | No |
| Father’s occupation | Barber |
| Age of first sexual experience | ~25 years old grabbed the undercover cop, Lisa’s, boob and proceeded to masterbate |
| Age when first had intercourse | Unknown |
| Mother’s occupation | Sears clerk |
| Father abused drugs/alcohol | Unknown |
| Mother abused drugs/alcohol | Unknown |
| **Cognitive Ability** | |
| Highest grade in school | 12 |
| Highest degree | High school diploma |
| Grades in school | Unspecified, most likely poor grades because of learning disabilities |
| IQ | When in high school he tested with an IQ of 130 in areas not requiring reading and math; in 1987 Dr Wilkinson described his intelligence low-normal, no higher than 90 |
| Source of IQ information | Brinck (1999, page 53), CA Supreme Court transcript |
| **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? | Security guard @ Pinkerton Security |
| Fired from jobs? | Yes; Belmont Lapidary, Pinkerton Security, The Bubble Machine, and Carl’s |
| Types of jobs worked | Toys ‘R’ Us; Belmont Lapidary (jewelry store); Pinkerton Security; The Bubble Machine; IRS warehouse; Carl’s Jr |
| Employment status during series | Security Guard |
| **Relationships** |  |
| Sexual preference | Evidence that he is a homosexual pedophile; no experience with women |
| Marital status | Single |
| Number of children | 0 |
| Lives with his children | No |
| Living with | Mother and Father and then moved to Sacramento with sister |
| **Triad** | |
| Animal torture | Unknown |
| Fired setting | Unknown |
| Bed wetting | Unknown |
| **Killer Psychological Information** | |
| Abused drugs? | Marijuana and LSD |
| Abused alcohol? | Yes |

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| Been to a psychologist? | Yes, the “police shrink”, Psychiatrist Hugh Ridelhuber |
| Time in forensic hospital? | Only during the trail for observation and testing |
| Diagnosis | Acute paranoia disorder |
| **Killer Criminal History** | |
| Committed previous crimes? | Nov. 1981 DUI; Aug 1982 hit and run; July and Aug 1983 two DUIs; license revoked for 3 years and 120 days in prison; 1986 Burglary of Richard Renne |
| Spend time in jail? | Yes; 120 days after 4th DUI |
| Spend time in prison? | No |
| Killed prior to series? Age? | No |
| **Serial Killing** | |
| Number of victims | 4 and 2 attempts |
| Victim type | Family friend and 2 prebuescent boys |
| Killer age at start of series | 26 |
| Date of first kill in series | Nov. 8th 1981 |
| Date of final kill in series | July 2nd 1985 |
| Gender of victims | Male |
| Race of victims | White |
| Age of victims | 12, 12, 15 |
| Type of victim | Family friend and 2 prebuescent boys |
| Method of killing | Stabbing with buck knife and used a pipe cleaner and a board with nails on it for the third victim |
| Weapon | Buck knife, pipe cleaner |
| Was gun used? | No |
| Type |  |
| Did killer have a partner? | No |
| Name of partner |  |
| Sex of partner |  |
| Type of serial killer | Disorganized anger |
| How close did killer live? | Biking distance |
| Location of first contact | First victim: at his home; second and third victim: found them at the park |
| Location of killing | Edgewood Park for first victim; park near Waterdog Lake for second victim; Lower Sunrise park for the third victim |
| Killing occurred in home of victim? | No |
| Killing occurred in home of killer? | No |
| Victim abducted or killed at contact? | 1st victim voluntarily went with killer; second and third were killed at contact |
| Behavior During Crimes | |
| Rape? | No |
| Tortured victims? | Held first victim down and told him what he was going to do and third victim a board was placed over his eyes and his clothes were taken off for humiliation |
| Stalked victims? | No |
| Overkill? | Yes for second victim |
| Quick & efficient? | Yes |
| Used blindfold? | Board over 3rd victims eyes |
| Bound the victims? | No |
| After Death Behavior | |
| Sex with the body? | No |
| Mutilated body? | No |
| Ate part of the body? | No |

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| Drank victim’s blood? | No |
| Posed the body? | No |
| Took totem – body part | No |
| Took totem – personal item | No |
| Robbed victim or location | no |
| Disposal of Body | |
| Left at scene, no attempt to hide |  |
| Left at scene, hidden | yes |
| Left at scene, buried |  |
| Moved, no attempt to hide |  |
| Moved, buried |  |
| Cut-op and disposed of |  |
| Moved, too home |  |
| Sentencing |  |
| Date killer arrested | Oct. 3 1986 |
| Date convicted | Dec 6 1989 convicted of 2 counts of first degree murder; Dec 31 1994 plead guilty to third victims murder |
| Sentence | Life without parole and death |
| Killer executed? | Not as of now |
| Did killer plead NGRI? | Yes |
| Was the NGRI plea successful? | It is still under advisement |
| Did serial killer confess? | Confessed to all murders after conviction |
| Name and state of prison | San Mateo Prison |
| Killer committed suicide? | Attempted |
| Killer killed in prison? | No |
| Date of death |  |
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