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| Gerald Armond Gallego | | |  |
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| **Date** | **Age** | **Life Event** | |
| 07/17/1949 | 0 | Gerald Armond Gallego is born | |
|  | 8 | A puppy (Queenie) was his only friend | |
| 09/14/1954 | 9 | His estranged father is captured in Hinds County Mississippi for killing a officer in an escape from prison | |
| 1955 | 9 | Father was first man executed in the Mississippi gas chamber for the murder of the police officer | |
| 03/07/1956 | 10 | First recorded felony arrest (for robbing a neighbors house) | |
|  | Before Age  12 | 5 arrests for burglary, 2 for running away, 1 for malicious acts, and 1 for vandalism | |
| 10/12/1958 | 12 | Lewd and lascivious acts with a 6 year old girl, sentenced to CA youth authority facility | |
| 02/01/1962 | 16 | Arrested for armed robbery | |
| 1963 | 17 | Learns that his father was executed in Mississippi on death row | |
| 1969 | 23 | Armed robbery and escape- served 3 years in prison | |
| 9/1978 | 32 | Gerald changes his name to Stephen Feil | |
| 09/11/1978 | 32 | California: raped and killed Kippy Vaught (WF, 16) and Rhonda Scheffler (WF, 17), knocked them out with a tire iron and shot them | |
|  |  | Girlfriend Charlene has an abortion | |
| 09/27/1978 | 32 | Daughter, Sally Jo (14), reports him for molestation and claims it has been going on since she was six | |
| 09/30/1978 | 32 | Marries Charlene, even though marriage is not legal because Gerald never officially divorced his second wife | |
| 06/24/1979 | 32 | Nevada: Raped and killed Brenda Judd (WF, 14) and Sandra Colley (WF, 13), killed them with a hammer and a shovel | |
| 7/1979 | 33 | Buys a 375 magnum, lost another job, but he brings in money from “gambling”- he takes his gun with him, Charlene wonders where the money really comes from | |
| 12/21/1979 | 33 | Bartending, he has many affairs and starts a relationship with Evelyn Smith | |

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| 4/24/1980 |  | California: he rapes and kills Stacy Ann Redican (WF, 17) and Karen Twiggs (WF, 17), death by bludgeoning | |
| 6/1/1980 |  | Charlene is pregnant again | |
| 6/7/1980 |  | They pick up a pregnant hippy walking down the road. Linda Aguilar (21) is raped, beat with a rock and strangled. She was buried alive, but Gerald thought he had killed her | |
| 7/16/1980 |  | Kidnaps and takes bartender, Virginia Mochel (WF, 34), home to rape her, he strangles her on the way to the dumpsite | |
| 9/1980 |  | Separates from Charlene and she moves in with her parents. However, she would return a few months later | |
| 11/1/1980 |  | Takes Craig Miller (WF, 22) and Mary Beth Sowers (WF, 21). Their friend Andy witnesses the kidnapping. Gerald shoots Craig in the back of the head 3 times, takes Mary Beth back to his apartment and rapes her. Then takes her out in the morning and kills her with 3 shots. Andy is able to give police the license plate and  description to lead police to Gallego | |
| 11/17/1980 | 34 | Arrested at Omaha Western Union office; Charlene’s parents were wiring them money and called the police | |
| 6/21/1983 | 36 | Gerald is sentenced to death in a California courtroom for the murders of Mary Beth Sowers and Craig Miller | |
| 6/8/1984 | 37 | It takes less than four hours for a jury to find him guilty of murder and aggravated kidnapping in the case of Karen Twiggs & Stacey Redican in Nevada. He is subsequently sentenced to death in this case, making him one of the few people to ever be sentenced to death simultaneously in two states | |
| 1997 | 50 | Death sentence for Nevada was overturned in 1997 and there was a court-ordered retrial of the penalty phase | |
| 1999 | 52 | In a competency hearing to ensure he was capable of facing retrial, Dr. David Foster (a psychiatrist working for the defense) testified that Gallego had post-traumatic stress disorder from an abusive upbringing and was suffering from brain damage that occurred when he was young | |
| 7/18/02 | 55 | Dies of cancer in Ely State Prison, Nevada | |
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| **General Information** | | | |
| Sex | | | Male |
| Race | | | White |
| Number of victims | | | 10 (some sources count one more, Linda Aguilar’s unborn child, for a total of 11) |
| Country where killing occurred | | | United States |
| States where killing occurred | | | California, Nevada, and Oregon |
| Type of killer | | | Serial thrill killer with a partner, “wife” Charlene Williams |
| Height | | | 5’7” |
| **Childhood Information** | | | |
| Date of birth | | | July 17, 1946 |
| Location | | | Sacramento, California (Hawthorne District) |
| Birth order | | | 1 |
| Number of siblings | | | Two half brothers David Hunt (older) & George Bulgar, Jr (younger) |
| XYY? | | | No |
| Raised by | | | Mother but he also had two different stepfathers, neither of which he got along with |
| Birth category | | | Only child |
| Parent’s marital status | | | Divorced |

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| Family event | 1955-Father was first man executed in the Mississippi gas chamber for the murder of a police officer |
| Age of family event | 9 |
| Problems in school? | A number of problems in school |
| Teased while in school? |  |
| Physically attractive? | Somewhat attractive |
| Physical defect? | Birthmark on face |
| Speech defect? |  |
| Head injury? | None reported although he will later try to use a head injury as part of a defense |
| Physically abused? |  |
| Psychologically abused? |  |
| Sexually abused? |  |
| Father’s occupation | Criminal |
| Age of first sexual experience | 12 |
| Age when first had intercourse |  |
| Mother’s occupation | Prostitute |
| Father abused drugs/alcohol |  |
| Mother abused drugs/alcohol |  |
| **Cognitive Ability** | |
| Highest grade in school |  |
| Highest degree |  |
| 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? | Fired a lot from jobs |
| Types of jobs worked | Bartender and truck driver |
| Employment status during series | Usually killed while he was out of work |
| **Relationships** |  |
| Sexual preference | Heterosexual |
| Marital status | -Married five times, only once legally  -Remarried Charlene Williams on 9/30/1978-however, they do not realize it is not a legal marriage because he never divorced his second wife  -They remarry in 6/1/1980 under the alias Feil |
| Number of children | 1 girl-Sally Jo or Krista (sources vary) & 1 boy, Gallego Armond Gerald, Jr. born after he was in prison. He also has one daughter he never met. |
| Lives with his children | Awarded permanent custody of Mary Ellen, but she lived with her grandmother |
| Living with | Spouse in Sacramento, California |
| **Triad** | |
| Animal torture | No, a puppy (Queenie) was his only friend when he was 8 |
| Fire setting | No |
| Bed wetting | No |

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| **Killer Psychological Information** | |
| Abused drugs? | Smoked pot and did cocaine |
| Abused alcohol? | Alcohol abuse |
| Been to a psychologist? | Yes |
| Time in forensic hospital? |  |
| Diagnosis |  |
| **Killer Criminal History** | |
| Committed previous crimes? | Yes |
| Spend time in jail? | Yes |
| Spend time in prison? | Yes |
| Killed prior to series? Age? |  |
| **Serial Killing** | |
| Number of victims | 10 |
| Victim type | Young women-in search of the perfect “sex slave” |
| Killer age at start of series | 32 |
| Gender of victims | 9 females and 1 male |
| Race of victims | White |
| Age of victims | 13, 14, 16, 17, 17, 17, 21, 21, 22, 34 |
| Method of killing | Strangle, Shoot, Beat to death |
| Type of serial killer | Organized lust |
| How close did killer live? | Drove to crime-often times going to malls to look for the victims |
| Killing occurred in home of victim? | No, usually outdoors |
| Killing occurred in home of killer? | Rape of Virginia Mochel occurred in the home of killer |
| Weapon | Killer brought with him: tire iron, rock, shovel, hammer, blunt objects, gun |
| Behavior During Crimes | |
| Rape? | Yes-every female victims was raped; he was in search of the “perfect sex slave” |
| Tortured victims? | Yes-would bite victims |
| Stalked victims? | No |
| Overkill? |  |
| Quick & efficient? | Yes |
| Used blindfold? |  |
| Bound the victims? | Yes |
| 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 |
| Disposal of Body | |
| Left at scene, no attempt to hide | Yes-but only one, he shot Craig Miller and left him lying at the scene |
| Left at scene, hidden |  |
| Left at scene, buried |  |
| Moved, no attempt to hide |  |
| Moved, buried | Yes |

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| Moved, too home |  |
| Sentencing |  |
| Date killer arrested | 11/17/1980 |
| Date convicted | June 21, 1983-sentenced to death in a California courtroom for the murders of Mary Beth Sowers and Craig Miller. May 23, 1984-sentenced to death for the killings of Karen Twiggs & Stacey Redican in Nevada (making him one of the few people to ever be sentenced to death simultaneously in two states); death sentence for Nevada was overturned in 1997 and there was a court ordered retrial of the penalty phase. There was also a large, nationwide outpouring against Mr. Gallego and the prosecution in Nevada was partly financed by the public. The small town of Lovelock, Nevada was afraid that the budget could not afford to prosecute the killer, so the public sent in from $19,000- $25,000 in donations to help fund the case. |
| Sentence | Death |
| Killer executed? | No |
| Did killer plead NGRI? | No-but in 1999 in a competency hearing to ensure he was capable of facing retrial, Dr. David Foster (a psychiatrist working for the defense) testified that Gallego had post-traumatic stress disorder from an abusive upbringing and was suffering from brain damage that occurred when he was young |
| Was the NGRI plea successful? | NO |
| Name and state of prison | Ely State Prison in Nevada |
| Killer committed suicide? | No |
| Killer killed in prison? | No-died of cancer (rectal, lung, liver) |
| Date of death | July 18, 2002 |

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