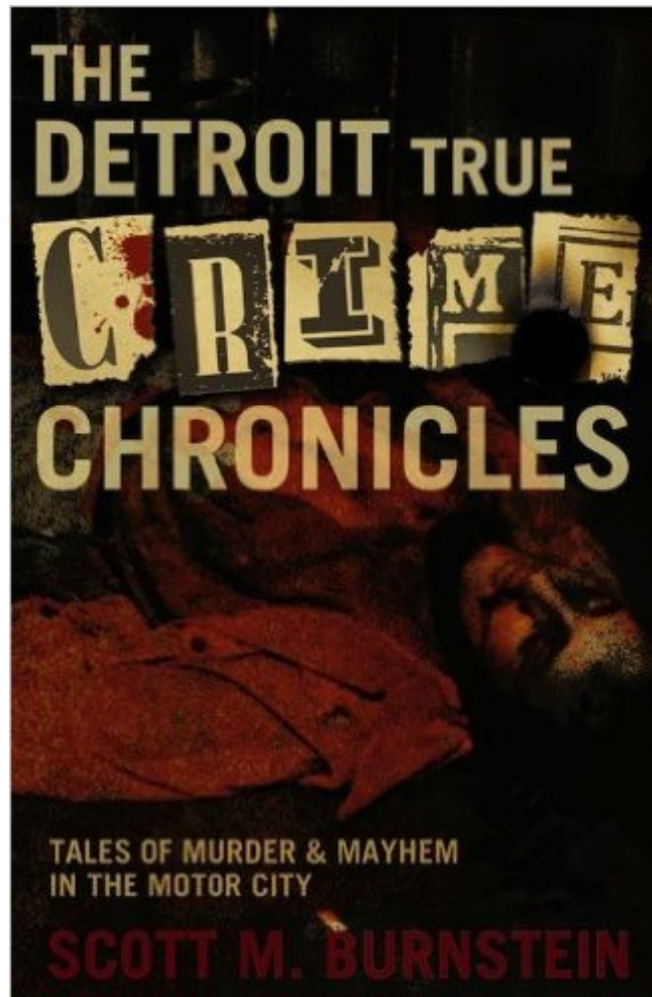


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# The Detroit True Crime Chronicles: Tales Of Murder And Mayhem In The Motor City



## Synopsis

The Detroit True Crime Chronicles sets forth the rich history of criminal activity in the Motor City. Using information from declassified federal documents and many firsthand accounts, the book focuses on the city's local Mafia, key mobsters, drug kingpins, serial killers, and unsolved crimes. Included in this comprehensive account of criminal life in Michigan's great border city are the stories of Ernie the Greek Kanakis, Henry Blaze Marzette, Eddie Jackson, Baby Ray Peoples, Demetrius Holloway, Butch Jones, Leroy Buttrum, Frank Nitti Usher, Maserati Rick Carter, Rocking Reggie Brown, Wonderful Wayne Davis, Young Boys Inc. (YBI), Murder Row, Best Friends, Pony Down, John Wolfenbarger, Billy Wadd Smith, Harry Taco Bowman, Tony Jack Giacalone, Frankie the Bomb Bommarito, Singing Sam Cattalanotte, the Purple Gang and the Burnstein Brothers, Black Bill Tocco, Joseph Legs Laman, Christopher Busch, the Chaldean Mafia, the Chambers brothers, Joe Uno and Tony Z Zerilli, Black Jack Tocco, Papa John Priziola, Machine Gun Pete Corrado, Jimmy Q Quasarano, Gentleman John Claxton, Carmine The Doctor Lombardozi, Angelo The Chairman Meli, Frankie Three Fingers Coppola, Cockeyed Joe Catalanotte, the Badalamenti Group, Benedetto Evangelista, Bobby The Animal La Puma and, of course, Jimmy Hoffa. No other American city can boast such a cavalcade of remarkable criminal characters. Scott Burnstein has brought them all together in one unforgettable book.

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If your a Detroit mafia, Partnership, Zerilli-Tocco crime family, what-ever you wanna call it fan or

historian you wanna purchase this book. The most powerful of the American Cosa Nostra crime families such as the Five Families of New York and that of the Chicago Outfit have been the main subject and centerpiece of American mafia history from the beginning of the organization's recorded history, but this book takes you away from those groups. Most of the American mafia related books written over the decades have been about N.Y. and Chicago, that's a fact. The New York & Chicago mafia's influence was cemented nationwide. This was done mainly through each crime family's influence over gambling, union and labor rackets and through local law enforcement and political contacts throughout their chosen base of operations, their cities. New York and Chicago had the added influence of controlling the majority of the American mafia's nationwide gambling and union rackets. New York held the most influence over nationwide narcotics operations and they held majority influence over the American mafia's Commission. But, what escapes most mob watchers and mafia buffs is that while New York ruled over the east coast and Chicago the mid-west, both carrying influence on the west coast and both being allied with the more independent southern crime families (N.O.-Marcello, Tampa-Trafficante), there were other very powerful, well connected and wealthy crime families outside New York and Chicago. The Buffalo crime family was one of the 7 charter crime families placed on the Commission in 1931 and for good reason.

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