

The True Story of Dorothea Puente: The Boarding House Killer True Crime Explicit



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Dorothea Puente was a seemingly harmless elderly woman who ran a boarding house in Sacramento, California. But beneath her sweet facade lay a dark secret. She was a serial killer who preyed on elderly and vulnerable people, murdering them for their money and social security checks.

Puente's crimes were first discovered in 1982, when the body of a 78-year-old man named Alvaro Montoya was found in her backyard. Montoya had been a resident of Puente's boarding house, and he had recently received a large social security check. Puente claimed that Montoya had died of natural causes, but an autopsy revealed that he had been poisoned with cyanide.

Police soon began investigating Puente's other residents, and they quickly discovered that several of them had also died under suspicious circumstances. In all, Puente was convicted of murdering nine elderly people, although she is believed to have killed many more. She was sentenced to life in prison, where she died in 2011 at the age of 82.

Puente's crimes are a chilling reminder of the dangers that can lurk beneath the surface of seemingly harmless people. She was a master manipulator who preyed on the elderly and vulnerable, taking advantage of their trust and their need for a place to live. Her story is a cautionary tale about the importance of being aware of the people around us and the dangers that can lurk in the shadows.

Dorothea Puente's Early Life

Dorothea Puente was born in Red Bluff, California, in 1929. Her childhood was marked by poverty and instability. Her parents divorced when she was young, and she was raised by her mother, who was an alcoholic. Puente often had to fend for herself, and she spent much of her time living on the streets. As she grew older, she drifted in and out of trouble. She was married and divorced twice, and she had several children who were taken away from her by social services.

In the early 1960s, Puente moved to Sacramento, California. She worked as a nurse's aide for a while, but she soon lost her job. She then began running a boarding house for elderly and disabled people. Puente's boarding house was a run-down, dilapidated building, but it was a place where elderly people could find a roof over their heads and a hot meal. Puente was known for her kindness and compassion, and she quickly gained the trust of her residents.

Dorothea Puente's Crimes

Puente's crimes began in the late 1970s. Her first victim was a 78-year-old man named Alvaro Montoya. Montoya had recently received a large social security check, and Puente poisoned him with cyanide. She then buried his body in her backyard.

Over the next few years, Puente murdered eight more elderly people. Her victims were all vulnerable people who were unable to defend themselves. Puente would often befriend her victims and gain their trust before killing them. She would then steal their money and social security checks. In some cases, she would also dismember her victims and bury their bodies in her backyard.

Puente's crimes were finally discovered in 1982, when the body of a 78-year-old man named Leon Carpenter was found in her backyard. Carpenter had been a resident of Puente's boarding house, and he had recently received a large social security check. Puente claimed that Carpenter had died of natural causes, but an autopsy revealed that he had been poisoned with cyanide.

Police soon began investigating Puente's other residents, and they quickly discovered that several of them had also died under suspicious circumstances. In all, Puente was convicted of murdering nine elderly people, although she is believed to have killed many more. She was sentenced to life in prison, where she died in 2011 at the age of 82.

Dorothea Puente's Victims

Dorothea Puente's victims were all elderly and vulnerable people who were unable to defend themselves. They included:

- Alvaro Montoya, 78
- Leon Carpenter, 78
- Eula Johnson, 82
- Dorothy Miller, 81
- Betty Palmer, 78
- Ruth Monroe, 78
- James Gallop, 76
- Benjamin Fink, 71
- Vera Faye Martin, 59

Puente's victims were all poor and homeless. They were people who had nowhere else to turn. Puente took advantage of their vulnerability and murdered them for their money and social security checks. Her crimes are a chilling reminder of the dangers that can lurk beneath the surface of seemingly harmless people.

Dorothea Puente's Trial

Dorothea Puente's trial began in 1983. She was charged with nine counts of murder. Puente pleaded not guilty, but she was convicted of all charges. She was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole.

Puente's trial was a highly publicized event. The media was fascinated by the story of the elderly woman who had murdered so many people. The trial also raised questions about the safety of boarding houses for elderly

people. In the wake of Puente's crimes, many states passed laws to regulate boarding houses and to protect elderly residents.

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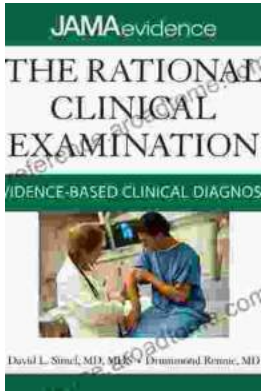


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