

about. When you went into this closet and then there was a door and he'd open it up and it might have been like more attic but it was more, it was more closet, and uh...

Gary Gray: Was it kind of a closet within a closet?

Within a closet. Yea! Their house was big. Yea he...

Cory Williams: Now, that was upstairs, right?

Yes, yep that was, yes. On the second floor UNCLEAR.

Cory Williams: Alright. Obviously you remember why we were, what we're talkin' about.

Absolutely, yes, yes. The children, yes, and some young boys were you know, never found, and uh, you know, and I know that yea, there are, there are obviously some, some children that were murdered, and um...

Cory Williams: What do you know about Chris' involvement in that?

(Sigh) It was really, it was really pretty, you know, pretty, pretty, pretty shocking to me the day that I come in. I mean, I wasn't here five minutes and I heard, I realized that I, I, you know, I knew what I was here for.

Gary Gray: You mean the last time we came out?

Yea. The last, yea, I guess I, I think, I don't know if I said Greg Greene and, and...

Cory Williams: You said Greg Greene right away.

Right away.

Cory Williams: And, then you said Chris.

And then Chris, yep, and uh... 'cause I knew, I didn't realize it was gonna go to the extent of the violence that it went to. I mean, um... that, that kinda, that was hard, that was kind of heavy on me; but I, I don't know, I don't (sigh) I, you know and I, I really kinda really kinda tried to open up and you know and everything that I, 'cause uh, I didn't know of, I didn't know of any of that, um... honestly. I wouldn't have been able to live with that all these years.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm.

Gary Gray: Is there, is there anything since our last meeting that we had, is there anything that maybe come to your memory? I mean that you heard something or you know?

There really, there really hasn't been...

Cory Williams: Okay.

...and that's the truth.

Gary Gray: Yea, we have other questions, 'cause um, just so, I mean we're...you got a good memory though.

Yes.

Cory Williams: How did, uh, when you were down at the house with Chris, did uh, ever come with you down there to stay?

I don't, and I, they, the...the two brothers were...w...w...we were really...close. I mean it...cause my mother and their mother was very...very good friends. Um...I know, I know and my uncle w...had a uh, a relationship, per say. Per say, uh, but not, uh, I don't remember ever going to the m...m... um...Birmingham home cause that being my grandparents...house...I don't, I was never in Birmingham with at...at the same time and I don't know what...I don't think ever, I know he met my uncle but I don't think was ever molested by him or ever...

Cory Williams: Well w...we know for a fact were at Es Lake with you and...

Oh, Es Lake, yes.

Cory Williams: ...Scott and Chris.

Yes.

Cory Williams: But, you're right. I was specifically talking about Birmingham.

Right. I knew you... and that's why I'd, that's what I thought.

Cory Williams: Okay.

But I was gonna say, and I'm not, I'm not so sure that maybe
; even didn't spend time in th...in the, in the Midland house
or the Sandford. It was actually in Sanford, um, 'er, Alma! Gosh,
there was a, oh no I stayed, I lived with Chris in Sanford, but there
was a house in Alma UNCLEAR Scott Uncle Chris had, uh, the
Scottsman Restaurant there and then there was a big house in
Alma; and I think that had been there before. Not at the
same time as me.

Cory Williams: But was there because he kept describing to us a house not
too far out of town...

Yes.

Cory Williams: ...and he called it Alpena; and I think he meant to say Alma.
That's what he was talking about.

Yep.

Cory Williams: That's what I wrote UNCLEAR

Because I remember you say...sayin' somethin' about Alpena and,
you know...

Cory Williams: There's, there was no house in Alpena.

No, no.

Cory Williams: Uh...uh...w...w...I think it was you that talked about the fact,
now this is gonna go back to some of the stuff you probably don't
wanna talk about, but we need to do that.

That's...okay.

Cory Williams: Um...where Chris would have, it was on one or two occasions,
Chris would watch you have sex with another boy?

He, uh, o...k...he...he...he...he...he...he tried to set that up, but,
um...I didn't par...partake it. I'm tryin' to think; he, that was at
the, that was at the...A...the Alma house. Um, the house, yea, the
Alma house and I'm not so sure if it wasn't a little brother of his
when I say that he was a Big Brother type deal. UNCLEAR I, I
don't remember the boy that well or not but I remember saying my
uncle suggesting that. You know he, you he's, he does that, and

this and that, and uh, you know he left some movies for us to watch and some magazines and this and that, but alls I was interested in doing what, when Chris wasn't around, was drinkin' and smokin' and, and uh, partyin' and this and that, or whatever. But, I never...

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR How old were you then?

Man, I, I had to have been, probably thirteen or fourteen.

Gary Gray: Okay.

'Cause I think I, I left Flint, I left Flint in seventy-six when I moved to Whitehall; and am, I remember coming to, came to Whitehall UNCLEAR in seventy-seven or seventy...one of the first years I moved to Whitehall. I remember stayin' in contact for the first year so, with and I know came and stayed a week with me during the summer one year; and that Chris wasn't...Chris, umm...Chris wasn't around, but no...I remember, as far as answering your question, he...he...he...he wanted to.

Cory Williams: Okay.

He...he wanted to.

Cory Williams: Was there ever a time UNCLEAR

I was just gonna say he...he...he...I remember that he...he...he wanted to but, I mean, I...even though I...even though that I was molested by him, um...I did...I did...I...I did ...I mean, you know, none was ever my choice to have sex with, I mean, other friends. I...I maybe...I (sigh)...now maybe UNCLEAR I may have had sex with when I was a kid, but drugs you know, we probably took drugs; did something but, never in, never, you know, in Sanford though, or, um...

Cory Williams: Okay. Now you said, with that, you mean with Chris and UNCLEAR

No, no, we...no, just no...

Cory Williams: Okay.

...just

Cory Williams: Alright. Okay. Um...now the situation where Chris started to set that up in Alma, when you were staying in Birmingham at grandma and grandpa's house, when there was just you and Chris around, did he ever try and arrange anything like that there at that house?

No.

Cory Williams: No?

Nope.

Cory Williams: Okay. You talk like you were familiar with that...that closet, and it almost didn't surprise you about the ropes bein' in that big closet, or...?

Well, I...it...it did. I went into that closet a lot. I'd go in there and hit my pipe and this and that, and I...I...it...it surprised me, yea, 'cause there, the variety of the sizes and stuff and the different links and stuff. I was kinda, I was kinda, yea, I was kinda took, I was kinda taken back by that a little bit.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm. He'd never, Chris had never tried to tie you up?

Tie? No, nope. That was something that he'd never...

Cory Williams: Never suggested it?

No. Never s...never suggested it. I don't know if maybe because his brother was my dad, or what.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm.

But, I remember, I remember telling my dad about it, yea, 'cause, I mean, I used to...he'd, he'd...I'd get home from school and my dad say, oh, oh, Chris called today. He's, he's gonna...come get you this week and take ya fishin' up to UNCLEAR Lake; and I'd, and then I'd say, oh, okay; and then I'd uh, I remember fakin' uh...um...ulcer attacks and shit, so Chris'd get here my mom would say, "Oh no, it doesn't feel good. He can't go fishin' this weekend, but then and finally, I would go on the trip I told my dad about what his brother was doing to me.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm. What was his reaction to that?

Oh...it w...he...he...he kind of was cool and calm to me about it, but I, I knew that he was just livid. I...I just knew that he was just livid.

Cory Williams: 'Cause what surprises me is that, even though he had done that to you, he helps Chris out when the police are looking for him.

I...I know it. I know it. And I, I don't know if that, I don't know. I...he was with him the day that they were pulled over one time.

Cory Williams: Yeal Took off in the car with 'em.

Took off in the car with 'em. 'Cause he had heard that he was being wanted. I...whether they were gone or, and all this, well my dad...my dad was still was...he was still drinkin' back then, too. So, I mean, uh... you know when I say my dad drank, he...he drank. He...he liked his "cutty".

Cory Williams: Nov , your dad, and Chris their as their mother, right?

Correct.

Cory Williams: Both those boys?

Both of them boys, yes.

Cory Williams: Okay.

Then, there's who's still alive.

Cory Williams: Um, hmn.

And then my who died from Aid's I said.

Cory Williams: Right, and I know passed.

Passed a few years ago, yep.

Cory Williams: Okay, umm...now when you were at the house with Chris in Birmingham and you were in that big closet and we talked about that drawing. We showed you that drawing.

Yep.

Cory Williams: You know, and you said that you thought you remembered seeing that.

Oh, I know I did. I know I remember seeing that; but I, and I also, I know that my ~~uncle~~ wasn't capable of drawing that. A...if he did that's a...I w...I would, you know if I was, had to bet my life savings I would bet that all, that he didn't draw it. But, that doesn't mean that he didn't. I mean I was...I just don't know.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm.

I remember the wall. I remember...I remember the wall. I remember the stereo he used to sit underneath and th...I remember, I remember...

Cory Williams: You remember what?

He w...ya...well, he had the stereo and it w...it was on the wall above where.

Gary Gray: Do you remember, how long was it up there? Was that a...I mean...

Gosh, I, for me to remember it, he must've had it for a while. Um...when I say a while, I...

Gary Gray: So that was nineteen seventy-eight when it was on his wall when he committed suicide.

Committed suicide, oh, yea it was on the wall then and I...and uh...

Cory Williams: So it had to have been on the wall prior to that.

Gary Gray: Right.

Prior to that, yea. Yea.

Cory Williams: 'Cause that's when you, when you were there, Chris was alive, right?

Yea, oh yea, well, yea, I remember going through the room after he died. I remember going into the room, umm, after he died when my gran...before my grandparents sold it. Umm...yea, I don't know why I ended up goin' house probably I was up there, well, oh 'cause it was my grandparents and uh...we...they...we...we...I was in and out that house quite a bit when Chris was there and when he wasn't there.

Cory Williams: Do you remember the time period when he, obviously, when he got arrested? And he was having all those, you know and he was going to court in different parts of the state, and, do you remember all that? That time period?

(Sigh) Not, not really well enough that I can, you know, s...tell you where I was at or who I was stayin' with. Not really. I never really...

Cory Williams: I saw that picture...

Yea. When, when I seen that, I...that...that just, I just, I remembered it. But, I mean, I'm a real stickler for detail. I don't know how...

Cory Williams: Do you think you saw that prior to him being arrested?

Oh, prior to being arrested? That I don't know. I don't think so. I, now I, I would have to say that...no to that. I, I don't think it was there prior to that. But see I don't remember...how many years it was before he was arrested...I don't ever r...I couldn't even tell you how many years after that he killed himself. I'm not, I'm not even sure about that time.

Cory Williams: It was only a year. Just a little over a year.

Oh! Oh! Oh!

Cory Williams: That's why I'm tryin' to narrow down when you were there.

Right.

Cory Williams: I think I'd asked you before to tell me the time or the...the dates or the age and you said probably seventy-five, seventy-six, seventy-seven; those years in there?

Yes.

Cory Williams: When you'd be goin' to the house?

Yea, yes. Correct.

Cory Williams: When you were ever in that closet and you were gettin' high or you and Chris were gettin' high and obviously grandma and grandpa were...

He wouldn't have, he wouldn't have. I wouldn't have been gettin' high with him in there, um, but, I mean I've gotten; I've smoked him, of course, but that was usually up at the cabin or, you know.

Cory Williams: Um, hmm.

He'd, we'd go to look, he'd come up to a concert one time in Silver Dome with, uh, but it...no, he would never taken that risk of smokin' in his parents' house with me.

Cory Williams: Okay.

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Cory Williams: When you were smokin' in there, when you were there...

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Cory Williams: ...were there times when grandma and grandpa were overseas when you were at the house?

Umm...no. I wanna say that they were there 'cause they would have been the ones watchin' us in that house. They w...there, they would've been the ones that were, you know, kinda responsible for me at the time. I don't ever remember Uncle Chris takin' care of me in the Birmingham home; in my grandparents' home. I mean there was times where he took care of me several, or not several times, but I, like I, I lived with him in Sanford; I stayed with him in his home in Alma...

Cory Williams: Um, hmm.

...he took care of me at the home in Alma and Sandford and I, I even enrolled in Sanford school;, but nope, not, not (clearing throat) excuse me, not in my grandparents home. I don't remember Chris bein' in, down there.

Cory Williams: I think you said, and I think we...saying it too, that Chris was a drinker, right? O, no?

Not like my father, not like my father. I think he did that tuh...I think he only used alcohol to, to get his f...to get his little friends, you know, under the influence.

Cory Williams: Okay. Alright. Umm, was there ever a time at the Birmingham house that you remember Chris bragging or saying something about having had, kept a kid there in that closet.

Umm...no I don't. No I don't.

Cory Williams: Nothing like that?

No, no, nope. He knows...nope. I really don't.

Gary Gray: Now you said you hung with, um...um..
Well...now, was probably...twelve years younger than...

Paul was my age. He, he and I was born the same year.
was a year or two older...

Gary Gray: Yea.

...than us.

Gary Gray: Yep. Now, was...was also one of the victims of, of Chris?
Do you know?

I, I don't think was. I don't remember that ever, that...that ever sharing that with me; and I think would've told me 'cause and I, and I was best friends. I just was goin' through some stuff in third grade. I was nine so it would've been seventy-two. I got hit by a car skippin' Sunday School and my third grade teacher had a whole class write us a note and I remember it to this day. Their, the note, note said to me, said, it said, "The minute I heard what happened, was the minute I started to cry. And uh, and uh, Is...I still remember it to this day; and I found it. I still have it. It was the only one of the letters I kept.

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR

No, oh, Greg, I... Well, I don't know, I don't, no, I don't remember Paul bein', bein' subjected to anything like that.

Gary Gray: Okay.

Cory Williams: How 'bout uh...did, maybe after Chris had killed himself, and you were having conversations with did they ever suggest to you that they knew about Chris being involved in something bad? Maybe didn't go into detail, but...

Right, just, them even just saying somethin' like that?

Cory Williams: Yea?

Other, umm...well, umm...worse than bein' a pedophile? No. I mean, I, I know that we discussed, you know, he's a horrible pedophile. But, I don't remember anything violent. I mean, I mean that's violent...

Gary Gray: Um, hmm.

...in its own right, but, I mean...

Cory Williams: Without even, saying anything, anything about what it was. Did they ever indicate that they knew something about Chris; that you didn't know?

No. No.

Cory Williams: Like a secret or something.

I don't, I don't. No. Like they had something that they knew that I did, you know...

Cory Williams: Right.

...and I can kinda say somethin' like that?

Gary Gray: We're just, we're just tryin' to pick your memory.

Right.

Gary Gray: We're not trying to feed you anything.

Cory Williams: Just somethin' that you may know.

Nope. Nope. And I, I, trust me, I mean I, I really d...our last, our last, umm, talk that we had here, umm, I, I mean I, I tried to go back and, and think about anything that I could to help you guys in your investigation, 'cause I...and I, I just couldn't really come up with anything.

Gary Gray: Hear...hear of um. e or maybe taken to Detroit, or...I mean that's a good ways south of Birmingham...

Right.

Gary Gray: ...but further into the city?

I don't...

Gary Gray: D...Let me ask you straight up. Just yes or no. Has he ever been...down, well, around where uh, uh, Chris used to live in, in Birmingham where his mom and dad? Do you recall any incidents?

No. No.

Gary Gray: At all? Him even talking about it saying, "Hey, I remember being down in Chris' house, and uh, man, what a hell of a house he's got."

No.

Gary Gray: Anything like that?

No. No.

Gary Gray: Okay. What about, uh, uh...the car that, uh, Chris was driving. Do you remember what car he was driving at that time?

Jimmy, dark colored, uh, I wanna say a Jimmy.

Gary Gray: Um, hmm.

That's all I, that's where, that's uh...that's, that's the person that pops in my head was a Jimmy.

Gary Gray: Okay. Do you ever had a, we had a report that he had a Vega.

Oh yea, yea my dad ended up with that.

Gary Gray: Okay. Tell...tell...y...tell...tell us about that, it's...

Um, well, it had the rubber band for a timing chain.

Gary Gray: (Laughing)

Yea, um, that...my father ended up with it when Chris got rid of it and I...I'm thinkin' that's about the time he got the Jimmy. So, it might have been the car previous to the Jimmy.

Gary Gray: Okay.

Cory Williams: A brown Vega.

Right.

Cory Williams: I had someone else mention that, do you, do you ever remember him havin' a blue Vega? Had a white stripe on the side? Kind of a custom lookin' one?

No.

Cory Williams: No?

I don't. I don't. At all.

Gary Gray: You sure it was brown?

My dad, yea, my dad ended up with it and I can see it sittin' under the basketball court there in Whitehall and I w...and I wanna say brown.

Gary Gray: It could be, it could've been blue? UNCLEAR

It, It could've been, but I don't, a white stripe down it?

Gary Gray: Well, I mean UNCLEAR

It could've been. I don't r...know, I...I'm sorry. I, I don't remember

Cory Williams: Do you remember him havin' an El Camino?

Nope. I don't ever remember an El Camino. Nova, I don't remember a Nova. He had motorcycles and snowmobiles. Then, I remember the Vega.

Cory Williams: Yea.

Once you said that I remembered that my dad ended up with that.

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR I don't think you had the UNCLEAR

No you didn't UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR right?

Yes, right.

Gary Gray: Uh...Cory, do you wanna, do you have another q...I'm gonna go through.

Cory Williams: No, go ahead.

Gary Gray: Thee, uh, well, what I...what I did is that, what's really neat about photography nowadays, I had the photographer, well not a, a photo lab in Lansing, remove Chris' body. Because he's your uncle. I mean I don't wanna, I don't want ya to see Chris in bed with, UNCLEAR So, there's nothing here to, well that, well...well that, that's, I respected, out of respect for you, your family, your thoughts and all whatever, uh...the scenes were rude. They, they UNCLEAR but, they, they really did. Just for...but now, that w...that UNCLEAR

UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: Now, what I wanted to show you here, is the umm...the uh...picture, the close-up of the picture that was on the wall; and it was just; those are, see normally when you, when you buy a shirt, you know little pins like in your collar?

Yes, yep, there are little balls in there UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: Yea! 'Cause see right there, there are little balls. And uh, is that the way you remember that shirt UNCLEAR to the wall?

Yep, yea I think I, yes, I do. That was a really, a really cool, was kind of fabric type of wall.

Gary Gray: Yea, it was, it was, big bucks. But, umm, and then, then, there was that closet.

Yea, UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: The door and then...

Yep.

Gary Gray: Well...

Cory Williams: What you say was behind that other door?

Uh, is...uh it was like a s...stor...attic; attic. It...there wasn't a whole lotta things stored in there.

Gary Gray: Now, now, here's his bed and...

Yea.

Gary Gray: ... and there's a door here and we think that...

Wow!

Gary Gray: ...that door is probably, now let's see...

See, now UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR

I remember, I remember...

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR see, there's two doors here, but only one; 'cause uh...this one right here is not here. So, there's not, so this must be the door into the other closet.

Cory Williams: The other closet, right.

Gary Gray: Yep, and those, and these two doors, might be like, like, like right here.

Yea.

Gary Gray: You know what I'm sayin'?

Okay, yea. Yes.

Gary Gray: Yea. I just noticed that, his, his, his...

Cory Williams: I was just lookin' at that, uh, suit case with these boots. Run a check on that.

Yea, don't, I don't remember Chris havin' a pair of boots like that. But, it doesn't mean he didn't, I'm, gosh. You know what I did, that was, I tried to get my grandparents to, to leave me that; 'cause that ended up going to their home, their la...their last, no, not their very last home, but, that was down in the basement of, umm...yea, I remember I asked 'em if I could have that.

Gary Gray: Who are these, who are these right there?

Those are, that's my _____ and that's my dad. That's Uncle
_____ up top and that's my dad.

Gary Gray: Okay.

Yep, that's in the hallway and then there's a, yep, that's, those are
my bro...those are my, my father and my uncle. That's a
Bitameijer desk.

Gary Gray: You know your antiques. Yea, I think I have one very similar to
that. Do you think, do you think that, uh...did _____ or his, his,
his, his mother, name is

That's his wife; his wife.

Gary Gray: Oh, yea; by wha...but you know Chris' mom?

Oh, oh!

Gary Gray: Do you think, did, did they have a policy never go, never, never to
go into his room, or?

No, I mean...

Gary Gray: Well...

No.

Gary Gray: It wouldn't have bothered you if you had saw that picture on the
wall, that, of that kid screamin'? It's kind of...

Well, he's young. It looks like, to me, it's like he's yawning. I,
uh...

Cory Williams: Well, _____ you were doin' good up until now.

Can I look at it again?

Cory Williams: Yea.

Oh, well...

Cory Williams: Yea. I'm gonna show it to ya, up really close.

Oh, no, y...this, yea, it could be a, a scream of pain.

Gary Gray: Yea, yea.

Oh, yea UNCLEAR

Cory Williams: He's not yawning. That's, that's not something everybody has on their wall in their room.

I know that.

Gary Gray: W...what he really is asking, because you know, you know we...

Yea.

Gary Gray: W...be...real apparent, or the other...

Er...uh...I, d. daughter looks...

Gary Gray: Okay, well, you know, you keep tabs on the kids.

Oh, gosh, yea!

Gary Gray: You saw that picture on the wall in the bedroom and you say, "What's this all about?"

I know it. I know it. I don't know.

Cory Williams: Take a look at this photo right here. Take a look at that.
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Ohhh! Aww man, that's...that's...that's kind of...

Cory Williams: That's pretty close, isn't it?

Yes. That's, that's, that's really eerie.

Cory Williams: I'm gonna show you an even closer one.

UNCLEAR

Gary Gray: You know you just grab that one, this one binder and I, you know by luck it's gonna be UNCLEAR

Oh you know that, what that... what, oh that's a, that's a copy of this, but that doesn't look like, that's not very good artwork there. I don't, I, you know what...

Cory Williams: Could Chris have done somethin' like that?

I guess... could... I think he could, yea, now that I'm looking at it again and, and, you know with...

Cory Williams: Looks like better outlook here, but when you look at this...

Yea, yea, oh yea, I, I mean...

Cory Williams: ...pencil drawings.

Exactly, there's nothing special about that.

Cory Williams: That's okay.

Yea, yea.

Cory Williams: I'm gonna s... we're gonna show you that in a minute. Now this was a drawing that was done from his mother, of that, this victim, how he looked that day, when he was abducted; 'cause she didn't have a photograph of him.

Oh!

Cory Williams: Now look at that compared to that.

Man, that's, yea that's eerie, that, that looks like the same (sigh) oh my god!

Cory Williams: See the fur around the collar?

Yea! Oh, wow!

Gary Gray: Yea, it's just...

Yea!

Cory Williams: Why would that be on his wall?

No, kiddin'; and why wouldn't, yea, why wouldn't, why wouldn't my grandparents question him about it?

Cory Williams:

Maybe it's 'cause they were gone all the time. I know you probably had to...

Gary Gray:

A lot of parents want to bury their heads. You know, it's, the no...okay if I don't see it, it doesn't bother me.

Cory Williams:

Was there any ever, ever any talk in the family about when Chris was, uh...a suspect in this case back then?

Oh, gosh! No, it was all, it was so, it was really hush, hush. My...my...my grand, well, my grand parent...my grandparents I've never heard, ever any word about it. I mean, I know my, my UNCLEAR

Cory Williams:

Somebody said somethin' about it to you, y...there was some talk about it 'cause you just said it was kept hush, hush. What was kept hush, hush?

Oh, I, well, I guess I o...I open, umm...well, it was...

Cory Williams:

You opened that one up; come on.

Yea, okay, well...

Cory Williams:

Come out with it.

Umm...it just, it was somethin' that, my...er...I...I wasn't...my grandparents didn't talk about it with their, their grandson, I mean, me or my brother, they was, uh...it was just, I mean, I know that my, my father dealt with it with my dad, but I mean...i...it was a, it was a s...it was a pretty screwed up family. I mean, I...I didn't, I guess I...it was kept hush, hush in a sense that, well, they didn't talk about it at their bridge group, or, y...I mean, you know or fa...my grandfather was still working. He hadn't retired yet; but... I don't know...I...

Cory Williams:

Hard kept family secret or something?

Y...Well, yea, it's yea their baby, their youngest son was a pedophile and yea, he, he hurt a, you know he hurt a lot of, he hurt, he hurt a lot of kids, man.

Cory Williams:

I'm talkin' about, when he was a suspect in this case, their had to be talk amongst the family.

It was, yea a lot of, a lot of rage, I...my father was, my father was livid. I mean he had...he had guns pointed at and this and that, but...

Gary Gray: For, for what?

Well, when he got, when they got pulled over that day, umm...my dad said that, my dad said that um, I mean that their vehicle was approached was officers had, had, had guns drawn and, and kept the guns on 'em until, they you know, got to my dad's, I...you know, knew who my dad was, and, you know, had my, probably had my uncle, you know, hand-cuffed, and I just remember my dad...

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR I was kind of, I, I was kind of taken off track not during the stop, are you talkin' about when, the fam...the Busch family, but H. Lee

Cory Williams: I'm talkin' bout when your fam...when the Busch family...

Yea.

Cory Williams: ...became aware of the fact that Chris was a suspect in the Oakland County child killings back in nineteen seventy-seven.

Oh, see that was, that's what I mean hush, hush. That w...I never knew that until I'd come into this office.

Gary Gray: Until last June when you talked to us.

Until, yes until last June. I c...that's what, I never knew.

Cory Williams: There'd never been any talk about that?

Never. Never.

Cory Williams: Would it surprise you that you knew, if you knew...knew that [redacted] had an idea he was involved in it and never, and kept it real quiet?

Would that, what was your q...

Cory Williams: Would that surprise you? If they kept it quiet from everybody?

No, it wouldn't surprise me 'cause that's they way they were.

Gary Gray: What did the old man, what did the old man do for a living; again?

Uh, H.L. he was a comptroller for, Cadillac.

Gary Gray: So he was pretty high up in the company?

Yea, yea. He was. He was.

Cory Williams: How was he to, uh, to John and your family?

Very, very g...very good and he got u...got us out. He got, got our family out of Flint. You know he bought, he bought, uh, bought Chris that restaurant in Alma and bought my father a party store in Whitehall. That's what got our family over there and he'd financed, you know, everything in that endeavor. was uh. made his own fortune, you know and he, he ever, you know he made a, made a good life for himself. I'm sure that he and, he did, I'm sure my grandfather did for him as well in other ways, but I mean he, he set my, he set my dad up in business, and...and...and...and...and...and umm...when I was, first year I moved to Whitehall I, I got in tremendous amount of trouble, umm, where I ran away and went up to Pentwater and did several breaking and enterings and did some malicious destruction in a um...a VFW Hall, or maybe it was an American Legion, but I know there was, law suits were coming in for a long time and grandpa was payin' it all off. But, boy, they did that, did that with me and end up gettin', and we were both just like fourteen. But he ended up gettin' like a year, I mean, that, which is pretty hard back then. I did three months, I think, but I got out with probation. Oh, I didn't even do three months.

Cory Williams: Have you talked...

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR

Cory Williams: Oh, I'm sorry.

Gary Gray: UNCLEAR kind of bailed you out a little bit, huh?

Oh, yea.

Gary Gray: I mean that, on that same note, do you know, did they take care of their kids that same way?

Oh, absolutely. I'm sure.

Gary Gray: What, tell me about it. What do you mean?

Well I, I'm just, I'm sure if they'd do that for their grandson.

Gary Gray: Hey, do you know what, he, Chris, the whole object, them, you know paying...

UNCLEAR I didn't realize that my g...I didn't, I don't know if my dad, seem like if my dad knew that his brother was being investigated for the Oakland County child killings, that I would've heard about it 'cause...

Gary Gray: Yea.

...I mean he drank a lot, and I mean something like that, I know I would've (sigh)

Cory Williams: Did uh, you, you were real close with the over the years?

Oh, yes!

Cory Williams: And we have documented the fact that came up to Flint one time and tried to pay to not testify against Chris, or not talk to authorities against Chris. Were you aware of that?

Cory Williams: Um, hmm. That's documented.

I wasn't aware of that. I can see maybe god, who would he pay? Seem like he would, H.L. would've asked my dad to go do it. But, was aware UNCLEAR

Cory Williams: All we're getting at is, we know that's true.

Oh, it's documented! Wow!

Cory Williams: So, they, how they would try and take care of this kid. Chris, was that, were there always, other incidences where you knew they had done something like that to help him.

Oh!

Cory Williams: Out of a jam?

No!