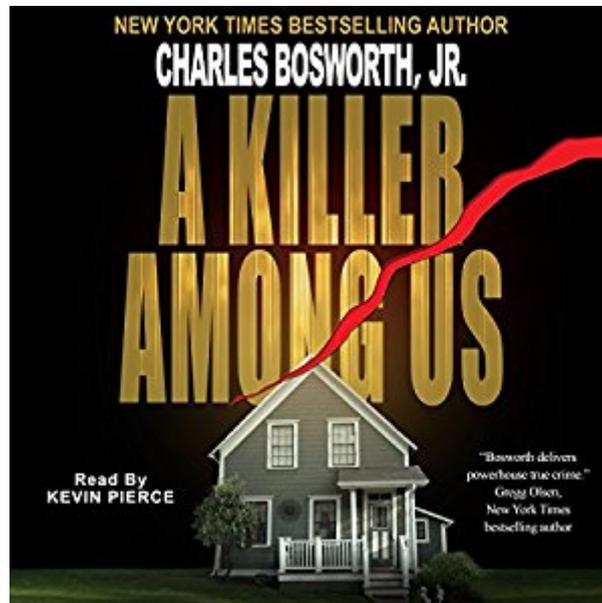


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A Killer Among Us



Synopsis

On March 16, 1992, Elizabeth DeCaro, a 28 year-old mother of four, was found dead in her own home, murdered execution-style with two bullets to the head. Her husband, Rick, was immediately a suspect, having previously struck her "accidentally" with the family van after taking out a \$100,000 life insurance policy on her. *A Killer Among Us* presents the true shocking story of Elizabeth's family and their search for justice against the man who continued to play father to the children whose mother he had killed. This real-life case has fascinating legal elements - three trials, a death penalty conviction, and a dramatic reversal in federal court - and has received extensive local and national coverage. Charles Bosworth Jr. is the author of the New York Times best sellers *Previous Victims* and *Silent Witness*.

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Customer Reviews

While some of the other reviewers thought the depiction of the family in this case was a bit too syrupy, I didn't get that at all. I know families like that. And it is families like that which produce daughters who are prey for psychopaths: sweet, innocent, loving and giving, bright and talented...I wish the members of this family had read Sandra Brown's book "How to Spot a Dangerous Man Before You Get Involved" and that ALL women would read it, because it would certainly go a long way toward preventing such tragedies. It was obvious to me about 1/4 of the way through the book that Rick DeCaro was a psychopath and I kept waiting for the author to approach that angle, but the word sociopath was only mentioned once, toward the end, when it became SO obvious that it would have been odd to NOT mention it. It is from this angle, that I agree with some of the negative reviews

that more attention should have been given to the DeCaro family. Much of the book was a blatant attempt to garner sympathy for a senseless crime when it could have been working on understanding how a creature like Rick DeCaro is born and made. Some token mention was made of the troubled background of Dan Basile, but it wasn't given any really sympathetic treatment as it should have been. I'm not excusing the crimes, I'm just saying that we need to understand social illnesses before we attempt to cure them.

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