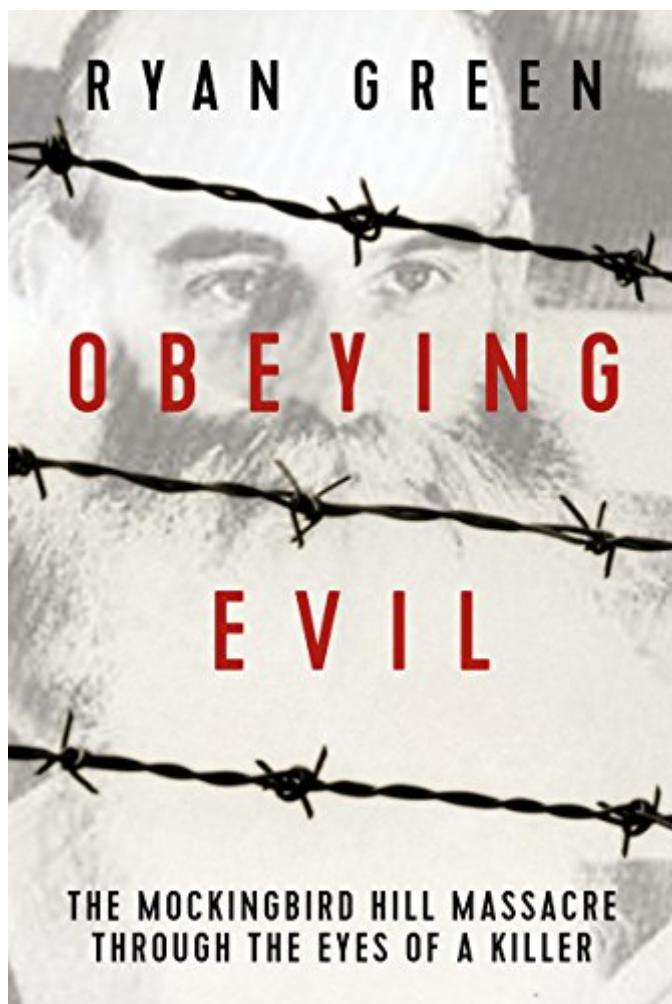


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# Obeying Evil: The Mockingbird Hill Massacre Through The Eyes Of A Killer (True Crime)



## **Synopsis**

Obeying Evil presents the shocking true story of Ronald Gene Simmons and the most disturbing family killing spree in the United States. Over the course of a week in 1987, he murdered 14 members of his own family, a former co-worker, and a stranger. In 1979, Simmons retired as an Air Force Master Sergeant following 20 years of service. The instability that followed his military days exacerbated his desire for control over his family. Simmons used intimidation, humiliation, and violence to assert dominance over all but one of his family members. He allowed a softer side to surface for his favourite daughter, Sheila, whom he forced into an incestuous relationship and eventually fathered her child. His need for total control led to isolation within his family and an inability to hold down a job. His frustration grew to untold levels when Sheila left the family home and married another man. With his plans in ruin and his grip softening, Simmons surprisingly supported his family's desire for a big Christmas celebration. The stage was set for a heartwarming reunion but he had laid a very different set of plans. Obeying Evil portrays the 'Mockingbird Hill Massacre' from the perspective of Ronald Gene Simmons. It's a shocking true story about dominance, intimidation, and extreme violence. If you are especially sensitive to accounts of the suffering of children, it might be advisable not to read any further. If, however, you seek to understand the darker side of human nature by coming face to face with it, then this book is written for you. Scroll up and click on the Buy Now button at the top of this page.

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It was a great book about such a horrible thing. Great writing in catching every detail

This particular story was very popular the year I graduated high school & I remember reading about this & seeing it on tv nightly . It was a huge story , one man completely annihilated his entire family & did so within a matter of days. I was in shock that one person could be responsible for such atrocities, I was even more shocked to find out the reasons why & the story behind such an evil personMr.Green has wrote this book in a narrative form, it's almost as if Ronald Gene Simmons wrote this book himself. For anyone that followed this case, Mr.Green demonstrated the corrupt mind of a sick individual &brings the reader into his thoughts. I can only say , Wow & I don't expect such an in-depth read of a case I grew up knowing aboutIf you, the reader , are looking for a book that you will not only learn the mind of a twisted killer but walk the walk & go through the minutes of his family's last days in earth , read this bookYou will not be disappointedI could go on & on , but I won't reveal all the facts , it's definitely worth buying !!

I really enjoyed this book (as much as one can enjoy a brutal true crime book), despite a few typos and grammatical errors. They weren't enough to take away from the horrific and disturbing story of Ronald Gene Simmons. Ryan Green has done his homework on this case, and presented it in an easy-to-read format. I finished the book within a matter of hours. Having read countless true crime books, I appreciated the succinctness of the story. So often true crime stories get bogged down with the trial part, which is sometimes interesting, and other times extremely boring. I really like that Mr. Green cut to the chase, and got to the heart of the matter. The heart of the matter being how a brilliant, perverted, control-freak psychopath wiped out his entire family when he thought he was losing control. FOURTEEN innocent people, all members of his family, plus two additional people who were not related. He walked the streets of the town for years, unnoticed and unregarded, until the ultimate final act was committed. You never truly know the darkness that can lie dormant in someone's mind until they unleash it. And by that point, it's far

too late to do anything about it. My heart breaks for the victims of this man's brutality. Needless to say, I was satisfied with the way Ronald Gene Simmons' story ended. With his death. As it should have. Well done, Ryan Green. I look forward to reading many more of your books.

The author presents a study of a psychopathic killer that decimated his family, co-workers, obsessions with employers and a young girl he fancied. I wish there were more dates involved as it would have been a greater insight into the times and attitudes of people. Author was concise and chilling in capturing the gory details!

I knew this story from reading Zero at the Bone, but this book came from an entirely different perspective and it read like a novel. Every person who tries to explain motive comes up with something different. Perhaps we will never understand the mind and motive of Ronald Gene Simmons. It's plain to see he had a plan and executed it like a military mission. Simmons was not a crazed killer running around killing anyone who stuck their head up. He had specific targets, then he was finished. There's no doubt he knew what he was doing.<sup>25</sup>

I always enjoy books by this author and this didn't disappoint! I found myself finish it in less than a day! I was able to feel like I was part of the book. I must admit I have read about this before I believe in a book but I'm not sure of the title but I found this one a lot more informative. It's hard to imagine that you could do this and not look back. To this father (even though he didn't act much like one) he felt that he was the only one that mattered. It is so sad that these children not only knew no other life but most didn't even know that any thing unusual was going on. It was the only life they ever knew so to them it was like every other family! So sad! I would like to think it couldn't happen in this day and age but I would be wrong! But this was very well written and as usual I found it had a lot more information than most! Keep up the great work and I will be looking out for your next book (hope I'm not rushing you, lol!) But Mr. Green is one of my favorite authors!

I'm rating this 3 stars because I think the author wrote about this horrible, gruesome true story in a plausible way. But I remember why I prefer fictional mystery/thrillers to true life travesties. This leaves me with a sick knot in my stomach for what this evil animal Ronald did to his family. Didn't one teacher pick up on one of these children coming from an abusive home? Why didn't one child feel able to talk with a guidance counselor? This was 1987 not 1907!! Why didn't the elder kids seek

help for their siblings after they left home? So very sad. And for those who would blame the Mom, Becky, she'd been tore down & brainwashed as most abused women are. In my idyllic little state, a man just killed his wife (whom he was forcibly separated from) then shot himself leaving orphaned children. And it's 2017! A lot of good restraining orders are. Police and neighbors knew it was a volatile situation. Isn't there more that can be done before these murders happen? I know it's a fine line to not cross one's civil rights but if a man is verbally threatening, sneak the wife&children away to safety. I think Ronald Simmons was a megalomaniacal, evil man and should have been jailed when it came out the pervert was having sex with his daughter!!! Obviously much more needs to be done in the domestic abuse fight. (No more true life books for me. Too heart breaking.)

I'm not sure what makes us so curious about why people do the horrific things that they do. Ryan Green has a way of telling these factual events without glamorizing the evil doers, and bringing us a little closer to this comprehension. He is sympathetic and honors the victims memory.

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