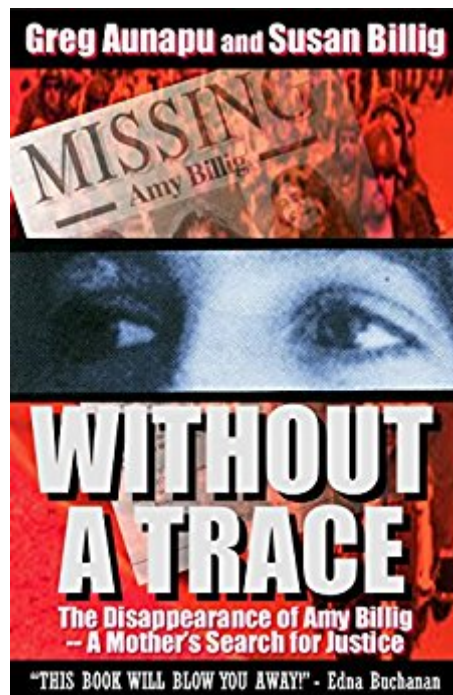




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Without A Trace: The Disappearance Of Amy Billig -- A Mother's Search For Justice



Synopsis

"This book will blow you away!" - Edna Buchanan, Pulitzer Prize-winning reporter & bestselling mystery author. As featured on ABC's 20/20, Dateline NBC, Unsolved Mysteries, Time Magazine, People Magazine, The New York Times and many others: the riveting inside story of a mother's fearless search for her missing daughter, *Without a Trace -- A Mother's Search for Justice* went through four sold out printings and spent 12 weeks as the #2 True-Crime book on ! On March 5, 1974 -- the same day that rival motorcycle clubs roared through suburban Miami in celebration of their annual "Bike Week" -- seventeen-year-old Amy Billig left home to meet a friend for lunch ... and vanished. Several days later, Amy's frantic mother, Susan Billig, received an anonymous phone call saying that her daughter had been carried off by one of the biker gangs. And so began Susan's harrowing and extraordinary twenty-five-year search for her lost child -- an odyssey that led a desperate parent into the seedy heart of a dangerous subculture built on drugs, rebellion, brutality, and sex; a relentless hunt for the truth that showed her the best side of humanity...and the very worst. "A great story of a mother searching for justice, answers and closure." -- Aphrodite Jones, author of *The Embrace* . "Captures Susan Billig's compelling voice and heroic search for truth in one of Miami's most agonizing mysteries." -- Arthur Jay Harris, author of *Speed Kills*

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Customer Reviews

WITHOUT A TRACE by Greg Aunapu is a heart wrenching account of the 1974 disappearance of 17-year-old Amy Billig in Florida and the ensuing 25 year quest her mother, Susan Billig, takes to find answers and justice for her beloved daughter. She co-writes the book. Sadly, Amy disappears the day droves of motorcycle gangs ride through town. Susan's search takes her into frighteningly dangerous places and into the company of some of America's most feared outlaws in the process. She demonstrates dauntless courage. Yet, this is a difficult book to read in the sense that there's ultimately no concrete answers obtained other than rumour and speculation. The redeeming feature is the extent of this mother's love and devotion to her child. Susan went through absolute hell in this process, to which she deserves a standing ovation.

If a five star rating were based on a book being one you can't put down this one deserves to be a ten!! This is an incredible story of a young girl's disappearance and a mother's love. I was only a couple of years older than Amy at the time of her disappearance and I remember hearing about it at the time. I had never heard the rest of the story. It is just unimaginable what these parents went through and all the situations her mother Sue put herself in in an attempt to find her daughter. This book describes not just the love and support the family of a kidnapping victim receives but also how cruel some horrible people can be in situations such as this. Sadly the events in this book are repeated thousands and thousands of times in the lives of other families. As sad as this book is, the author did a fantastic job telling the story. It was a real page turner that I just couldn't put down. The ONLY thing I wish there had been was an epilogue telling what ever happened to Sue Billig. Is she still alive or has she joined her beloved husband and daughter in death. Where is Josh today? The end just kind of left the reader hanging. A great great book, a must read for any true crime reader!!

Sadly, there are myriad stories of lost children. This is but another. However, the lengths to which the author went in search of the truth and what is, in contemporary parlance, closure is astounding. The book reads like a true crime novel only in this instance the story is true.

When a teen disappears today a search is underway right away...this was not the case in 1974. Then, a missing teen was considered a runaway, and by the time investigative work began, it was often too late. The disappearance of Amy Billig is one of those cold cases, and her mother's never

ending search heartbreaking. As I read this book, I thought of Natalie Holloway. The girls were both the same age, the investigations were equally frustrating, the bodies were never found, and both mothers amazingly strong women.

First time in ages I've read a book I could hardly put down! What a story! As a parent I can hardly imagine that kind of agony. And to realize there are thousands of missing girls. Downright terrifying. Definitely recommend this book if you love true stories.

I couldn't put this book down. I longed for Susan Billig to find her missing daughter in this book. My heart ached for her along the way. What a journey she went through.

Don't delay, get your drink, some snacks, mute your phone and get started. This story will grab you, keep you involved and turning pages all the way from page 1 to the final paragraph. Then be thankful your children are safe....and you won't live this nightmare..

It is a very interesting story. But I can not tolerate a book that is supposed to be true crime where the author inserts their own suspicions. If it is truly about a real case, let the facts speak for themselves. And I do not know who the editor was, but this person should find a different vocation. A lot of punctuation mistakes, misspelling of words. At one point, mid sentence, that's it! On to the next paragraph. I guess the reader is supposed to insert their suspicions on how that paragraph should have ended. And all the filler! Describing in great detail what everybody is wearing? We get it, they're bikers. I for one know the bikers are not dressed in designer 3 piece suits, and the lawyers probably are. I didn't buy a book about contemporary clothing design, I bought a book about a crime that actually happened. I must say this to the Billig family, I am sorry for what you endured. It will probably never truly be known what happened to Amy. My comments on this book are in NO way meant to be comments about the actual case and the shattered family engulfed in it.

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