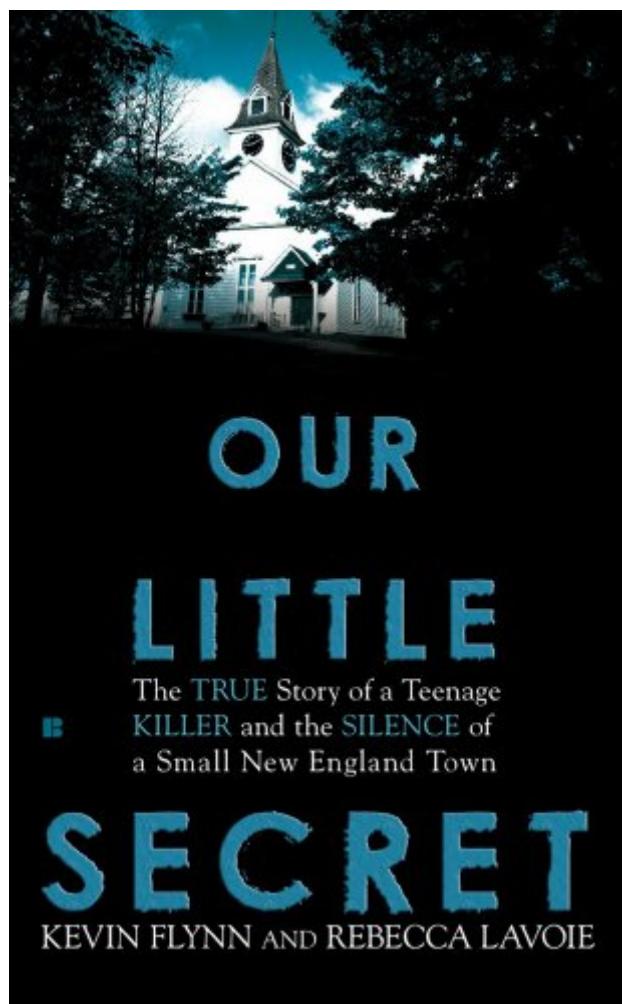


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# Our Little Secret: The True Story Of A Teenager Killer And The Silence Of A Small New England Town



## **Synopsis**

The true story of a teenage killer and the silence of a small New England town. For twenty years Daniel Paquette's murder in New Hampshire went unsolved. It remained a secret between two high school friends until Eric Windhurst's arrest in 2005. What was revealed was a crime born of adolescent passion between Eric and Daniel's stepdaughter, Melanie- redefining the meaning of loyalty, justice, and revenge.

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## **Customer Reviews**

Being an avid true crime fan, I've been soaking up as much as I can, no matter the format. Podcasts, books, documentaries, you name it. After listening to my usual line up of podcasts, including Serial, I came across Kevin Flynn and Rebecca Lavoie on their own podcast "Crime Writers On...Serial". I truly enjoy and look forward to their podcasts; the format is great, their voices are easy to listen to, and the structure of the topics being discussed is fluid and intriguing. After reading this book, I am certain I will be reading many more books from these two. Awesome job!

This was a very interesting story but about a fourth of the way through ,I decided not to read any further ,but a friend talked me into continuing. The reason being is that for some reason we were told the names of practically every relative the involved families ever had and many law enforcement people ,neighbors and many school friends etc. The cast of characters in the story was ridiculous ! Very long and drawn out for what could have been much shorter.

This was one of the most stunning True Crime books I have ever read. I was 31% into it when I wrote to one of the authors (Kevin Flynn) and commended him for his thorough research and reportage of a family saga with so many details and incredible background stories (layers and layers) it seemed too incredible to be true. "The Silence of a Small New England Town" is the key phrase here and you must read the entire book to find out why. It proves yet again how the ripple effects of one murder (and this is not even the main murder!) can spread out for years and destroy people and families permanently. This book made me shiver and proves yet again that we can never truly "know" people. (or know of what they are capable)

I enjoyed the book. I drove by the Paquette home at least once a week for over 13 years and never knew this story. The story is true and I believe the murderer of Rena Paquette is an easy solve if only detectives would rethink who would have motives to kill her other than Coolidge.

This story takes place over the span of 40+ years. There are many threads tying the people (and their families) involved together. This book was of special interest to me as I have personally known some of these people. Pamela Mason was a high school friend that was murdered in 1964. In 1975 I moved to Hooksett, NH where I met Melanie and Denise Paquette.

Kevin Flynn has done it again! This is a really good book! Although there are a lot of people to keep straight, Flynn told this sad story in a very straight forward, easy to understand way. I couldn't put it down until I finished it. I would recommend this book to any true crime buff!

I read this book in about two days. I was very well written and very interesting to read. It is also a very sad tale. I appreciated all the background information on all of the parties involved. It made everything come to life for the reader. I am a big fan of the True Crime genre - Helter Skelter and The Stranger Beside Me being two of the best. Although it is not quite in their league it is a well told

story that I would recommend.

I could not put this book down. I received it in the mail this afternoon, around 4:30 and I just finished it about an hour ago (I read it all in one sitting). I came across this case when I was researching the background info on the Coolidge case for school. I was immediately intrigued by Rena Paquette's death and the circumstances involved; in trying to find information about it, I came across this book. If you are looking for a thorough, truly unbiased source of information on this fascinating case, I would definitely check this book out.

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