

Ray, Earl Everett

Family

XI-80

No employment records could be found for
Sunset Amesement Co.

Ray, Jerry Wm. Family

XIII-46

Began work at Sportsman Country Club in Northbrook, Illinois 9/16/64 as dishwasher still there (as of 4/23/68) doing Maintenance work as well. Is very frugile. Previously married mentally retarded waitress. Has wife and children of former marriage believed to be in Nashville, Tenn.

Ray, Jerry Wm.

Family

XIII-52

Was employed at North Shore County Club in Glenview, Illinois from 5/15/62 - 2/64 as locker room assistant.

Ray, Jerry Wm.

Family

SA Pevahouse

XIII-57

I.D. photo of Galt taken 3/68 with eyes closed as brother. James E. Ray.

Has served time in Illinois State Penn in Menard and Pontiac, and at MSP.

last saw J. E. Ray in 1964
Gave list of relatives.

Ray, Jerry Wm.

Family

XIII-60

Stated his father died in 1951
said Jerry Raynes was not his father.
(admitted lie XIII-75)

Rented P.O. box in Wheeling, Illinois
to get correspondence from James in
prison. Life magazine sent telegrams
there 4/23/68 about article.

Ray, Jerry
Brother

Mopen

X-27 Known by Jerome Carpenter in Quincy, Ill.

Jerry Ray
brother

Mo Penn

X - 4

Made 5 visits, last in 1965.

Ray, Jerry
Father

Mopen

X-27 Ran away with mother ~~xx~~ of Jerome Carpenter,
separated 2 years ago.

RAY, Jerry
(Jerry W. Ryan)

Missouri

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LHM 6/19/68 Brother of Ray - plans to go to Memphis.
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RAY, John Larry

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Brother of Ray. Background info. Intentions to go to London.

Visited Ray in jail in Missouri about 9 times, last on 4/22/67 day before escape.

Served time for burglary and larceny.

RAY, John Larry

Missouri

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Closed tavern in St. Louis; avoiding newspaper reporters; is not going to London.

Ray, John

Family

XIII-67

Said by brother Jerry Ray to
have gone to bartender school
in Chicago around 1966.

Ray, John Larry
(Brother)

Background

XIX-61 Released from Menard Pen 2/1/60.

Ray, Mary

Mo Penn

X-106

X-111 Listed as Ray's mother.

Raynes, Jerry

Family

XIII-60

Said by son Jerry William Ray not to be his father. Son stated his father died in Hannibal, Mo. in 1951. Said to be his stepfather.

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Jerry admitted his lied about father.

Ryan, Franklin
(Brother)

Background

XIX-56 Drowned in Mississippi River in 1963.

Ryan, Jerry
(Brother)

Background

XIX-62 In Menard Pen from 12/30/54-12/12/55.
 In again and released 5/60.

Ryan, Jerry

Mo Pen

X-119 Friend of Ray. Approved correspondent,
Leavenworth.

Ryan, John

Mo Penn

X-96

Brother of Jerry Williams Ryan (Ray)

Ryan, John

Mo Pen

X-119

Half-brother. Approved correspondent,
Leavenworth.

Ryan, Lucille

Mo Penn

X-96

Mother of Jerry William Ryan.
The name "Ray" marked out.

Ryan, Lucille

Mo Pen

X-111 Listed as Ray's aunt.

Ryan, Lucille

Mo Pen

X-114

Ray identified as aunt.

Ryan, Mrs. Lucille

Mo Pen

X-119 Approved correspondent, Leavenworth.
Aunt

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Background

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Ryan, Melba Marie Family
(Sister - Quincy, Illinois)

SA Davis

XIX-43 Spent most of life in mental hospitals.
Has been living at Virginia Hotel in
Quincy since 12/67. Hasn't seen Ray.
Last saw him around 1959 in St. Louis
boarding house of mother's. Ray stayed
there 6 months. Ray was in Germany in
Army.

Has police record of drunks, and mental
case.

Ryan, Susan Jane
(Sister)

Background

XIX-53 Entered Notre Dame High School in Quincy, Ill., 9/8/61 from children's home in Alton. Graduated 6/6/65. Declined scholarship. Believed to be in modeling school in Chicago.

PRISON

D

2025 RELEASE UNDER E.O. 14176

Aeby, Neal
inmate

Mo Penn

SA Ayers

X-65

Known by Negro guard Turner as a
Negro hater. Recommended by Turner
for harsh punishment.

Known by Turner as associate of Ray.
Sent a card to cellmate Frank Guihan.

Known by Turner as type to kill Negroes.

First sketch of assassin looked more
like Aeby than Ray.

Aeby, Neal

Mo Pen

XI-26

Identified by former guard as big
supplier of amphetamines and the
person who would have supplied Ray.

Aeby, Neil

Mo Pen

XVI-D-32

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Closer friend of Ray at MSP brought Ray
into kitchen.

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pushed drugs with Ray.

Ashe, Bobby Fred
#01562

Mo Penn

SA Weaves

X-55

Knew Ray, but not well acquainted. Ray was quiet, not involved in prison cackets. Did not know Ray to sell drugs, gamble, express any strong opinions on any subject including race. Ray was not known in prison as a kid or punk.

Does not know of bounty on King.

Doubts that Ray celled with Jimmy Carpenter.

Ashe, Bobby

Mo Pen

X1-13

Known to be a drug pusher.

Bagby, Ernest
#31013

Mo Pen

SA Ayers

XL-19

Knew Ray and Johnny Velanti. Never saw Ray and Velanti associate. Recalls that once some Negroes were assigned to F hall and were assaulted by white inmates, who killed one. Recalled that several Negroes went to a TV room where whites gathered, and a fight started. Ray was not involved in either incident.

Never heard of Cooley's organization.

Barbarick, Bercia Lee
#12587

Mo Pen SA Ayers

X1-10

Knew Ray but not well. Says a guard told him that same "kid" had seen Ray last Summer sleeping on a hill near Jefferson City with a long beard.

Says KKK in prison wanted King killed. Does not know Cooley's organization.

Barnes, Gene
#72271

Mo Pen

SA Weaver

X1-11

Escaped in guard uniform in 1959.
Knew Ray but not well. Recalls
Ray spoke to Negroes. No information.

Bell, Homer
Guard

Mopen

X-37 Caught Ray taking prohibited items into
hospital, June 1965.

Beman, Richard
#07694

Mo Penn SA Ayers

X-64

Worked in prison hospital April, 1967.
Knew Ray but not well. Could give no
information on Ray's friend, habits, or
beliefs. Knew of no bounty on King.

Billings, Carlos Lee
Inmate, Medical Center
for Federal Prisoners

Mopen

SA Mitchell

X-39 States that he was offered \$50,000 to kill King in March 1965. Killing was to take place on Selma March. Offeree seems to have been a man named James, who drove white Lincoln with Tennessee plates. Plotting took place in Columbia, S. C.

(No significant elements of this story indicate a connection with King's assassination.)

Buck, Julius Mausice
inmate

Mo Penn SA Melton

X-60

Worker in bakery while Ray was bakery worker. Ray was friend of Bob Powell & J. R. Russell, both of whom helped Ray escape in bread box.

Ray once expressed dislike of Negro guard and Negro cook.

Ray was loner, purchased favors from homosexuals.

Ray believed to have stabbed an inmate.

Ray stole locks and practiced picking them.

Russell & Powell described briefly.

Bob, Billy
guard

Mo Penn

X-60

A Negro for whom Ray expressed dislike.

Bradley, Jimmy Z.
#71844

Mo Pen

SA Ayers

X-25

Knew Ray. Ray had no close friends.
Ray took mild drugs which were hard to
administer because he had small veins.
Ray always believed he was ill.

Ray quiet. Dancing would be out
of character.

Did not know Curtis.

Bradley, James Harvey Leavenworth SA Ouseley
Leavenworth inmate #84515

X-35

Bradley known as biggest fence in
Kansas City and connected with Italian
criminal element known as "The Outfit."
Denied knowing Ray.

Bradley, Jimmy 2

#71844

Mo Pen

SA Ayers

X1-7

Says he has been in MSP since 1965, has been involved in every racket in MSP, has attempted to escape, and has helped others escape. Never heard of Cooley's organization or a King bounty. Never heard of Ray using a uniform to escape or ever having contraband ammunition in prison.

Says John Stout did not give amphetamines to Ray, and would not say who did.

Reports that Jimmy Wallace saw
Ray and 2 ex-cons in St. Louis in
Summer 1967.

Says "Dags" could be John Paul
Spika.

Brown, James W.

Mo Pen

SA Wrigat

XVII- 15

Was in MSP from 4/60-6/65. First met Ray in 1963.

Heard Ray curse King after JFK shot. Said JFK was nigger loving SOB.

In Fall of 1963, heard Ray say he was going to get King when he got out. A cooley organization would pay \$10,000.

Ray had sufficient money; gambled in yard with cigarettes or bottle tops. Said got money regularly from outside. Drank whiskey made in MSP. No knowledge of Ray or specific guards in drug traffic. Talked of going to

- Liberia where brother-in-law worked. Said
Ray had cache of guns outside. Ray said
B'ham was good town to steal in.

Brown said Ray's friends were Johnny
Valenti, "Tick" Wilson, Johnny Johnson and
others.

Brown, James W.

Mo Pen SA Landers

XVII-18

Says Valenti, Eden, and Ealey heard Ray's remark of killing King and getting \$10,000. Said Ray said this in latter part of 1963.