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Daniel Lewis Lee Executed for Federal Capital Crimes

White Supremacist Murdered a Family of Three, Including an Eight-Year-Old Girl

Terre Haute, Indiana: On July 14, 2020, Daniel Lewis Lee was executed by lethal injection pursuant to a sentence imposed by the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Arkansas. He was pronounced dead at 8:07 a.m. Eastern Standard Time by the Vigo County Coroner in Terre Haute, Indiana.

In January 1996, Daniel Lewis Lee murdered an eight-year-old girl, Sarah Elizabeth Powell, and her parents, William Frederick Mueller and Nancy Ann Mueller, as part of an effort to obtain funds for a white supremacist organization. After overpowering the Muellers, interrogating their daughter, and stealing approximately \$80,000 worth of cash, guns, and ammunition, Lee and an accomplice shot the three victims with a stun gun, duct-taped plastic trash bags over their heads, weighed down their bodies with rocks, and drowned them in the Illinois Bayou. On May 4, 1999, a jury found Lee guilty of numerous offenses, including three counts of murder in aid of racketeering, and he was sentenced to death.

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