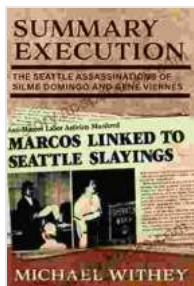


Uncovering the Seattle Assassinations of Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes



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In 1981, two Filipino American labor leaders were murdered in Seattle, Washington. The killings shocked the Filipino American community and sparked an investigation that would uncover a web of corruption and violence. The victims, Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes, were both prominent figures in the Filipino American community. Domingo was the president of the Filipino American National Historical Society, and Viernes was a labor leader and activist. The murders remain unsolved to this day.

The Seattle Assassinations of Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes tells the gripping story of these unsolved murders and their impact on the Filipino

American community. The book is based on extensive research, including interviews with family members, friends, and colleagues of the victims. It also examines the political and social climate of Seattle in the 1980s, a time of economic recession and rising anti-Asian sentiment. The book sheds new light on the murders and raises questions about the role of law enforcement and the justice system in protecting the Filipino American community.

The Victims

Silme Domingo was born in the Philippines in 1928. He came to the United States in 1956 and settled in Seattle. Domingo was a community leader and activist. He was the president of the Filipino American National Historical Society and a member of the Seattle Asian American Advisory Council. Domingo was also a vocal critic of the Marcos dictatorship in the Philippines.

Gene Viernes was born in the Philippines in 1944. He came to the United States in 1967 and settled in Seattle. Viernes was a labor leader and activist. He was a member of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) and the Asian American Labor Alliance. Viernes was also a community leader and organizer.

The Murders

On January 1, 1981, Domingo and Viernes were shot and killed in Seattle's International District. The murders were carried out by two unknown gunmen. Domingo was shot in the head and neck, and Viernes was shot in the chest. The gunmen fled the scene in a car.

The murders of Domingo and Viernes sent shockwaves through the Filipino American community. The killings were seen as an attack on the entire community. The Filipino American National Historical Society offered a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the killers, but no one has ever been charged with the murders.

The Investigation

The Seattle Police Department investigated the murders of Domingo and Viernes, but they were unable to identify the killers. The FBI also investigated the murders, but they were unable to make any arrests. The murders remain unsolved to this day.

In 1983, the Seattle Police Department released a report on the murders. The report concluded that the murders were likely carried out by professional hitmen. The report also stated that the murders were probably motivated by Domingo's political activities.

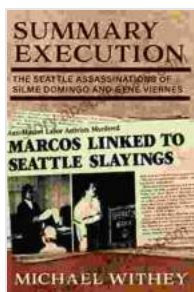
The Impact

The murders of Domingo and Viernes had a profound impact on the Filipino American community. The killings sparked outrage and fear. The community felt that they were being targeted by violence and that the police were not doing enough to protect them.

The murders also led to a number of changes in the Filipino American community. The community became more organized and politically active. Filipino American organizations began to work together to address the needs of the community. The community also became more aware of the importance of self-defense.

The murders of Domingo and Viernes are a reminder of the violence that has been directed against the Filipino American community. The murders also highlight the importance of community organizing and self-defense.

The Seattle Assassinations of Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes is a gripping account of an unsolved crime that shocked the Filipino American community. The book sheds new light on the murders and raises questions about the role of law enforcement and the justice system in protecting the Filipino American community. The book is a must-read for anyone who is interested in the history of the Filipino American community or in the unsolved murders of Silme Domingo and Gene Viernes.



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