

Beverly Rhoads

(Known Aliases)

Beverly A Mullins, Beverly Sam Rhoads, Beverly M Rhodes, Beverly M Rhoads, Sam H Rhoads, Beverly Sam Mullins Rhoads, Rhoads B, Beverly A Rhoads, Beverly M Rhoads, Beverly M Te Rhoads, Beverly Mullins Rhoads, Beverly Sam Mullins, Beverly M Sam, Beverly M Rhoads, Bev M Rhoads, Bev S Rhoads, Beverley M Rhoads, Beverley S Rhoads, Sam Rhoads

This investigation has revealed some things about Rhoads that are not kind, as Nathan has been put in the impossible position of having to expose someone whose son was murdered in front of them, after being blinded by pepper-spray. There is no socially acceptable way to publish this information. Even though the truth is on Nathan's side, it will still come across as victim blaming, and there is nothing he can do about that. This is the impossible position Nathan finds himself in.

Nathan has been in prison for more than sixteen years, for a crime he did not commit. He refuses to continue to do so, while the truth continues to be withheld, because the truth is so ugly, that the public will most likely want to attack the messenger, and continue to protect Rhoads.

You will be reading about who Beverly Rhoads has revealed herself to be, her past actions must be exposed, in-order to give context, and to show how she dragged Nathan and his parents into her world of insanity. Please do not think that Nathan is making any kind of justification for what happened at Rhoads' house. Everyone

will agree that it was a great tragedy. He believes and hopes, that you too, dear reader, will agree that the evidence shows that Rhoads tried to orchestrate something, which went terribly wrong, and ended up putting herself through what no mother should ever have to go through.

Nathan is not claiming to have been a good man in the past, he fully admits that he was arrogant, egotistical, and self-centered, though, there is no one that could ever say he was violent or hateful in any way.

This is in stark contrast to who Rhoads has made Nathan out to be, as testified to, by her tenant and son's friend, Sean Mendell. According to Mendell, whose only, very strong opinion of Nathan, and of Nathan's dad, Tony, came from Rhoads, over a four year period. Sean Mendell in his recorded interview told the Walnut Creek police detectives, that Nathan had a violent history, that he hated Rhoads, threatened her in the past, had a bad attitude towards her, smoked cigarettes in Rhoads' house, while doing her electrical work in 2004, and that Rhoads told Tony that she never wanted Nathan working at her home, because he was incompetent and a bad man who she was always afraid of. That Rhoads kicked Nathan off of the job, and that the electrical wires he ran were in the water. Mendell stated that Nathan was just a hobo who knew how to pull wire.

Not one of these things that Mendell told the police about Nathan were true. Mendell who never met Nathan, also said that Nathan was a huge guy, who in his words "not to be prejudice... but he looks like the kind of guy who would live in Martinez... he's not a Walnut Creek kind of guy".

These statements from Mendell about Nathan, who he never met, revealed Rhoads obsession and ability to manipulate other people's opinions in a hateful manor.

Nathan ran his own business, getting houses up to code for the local Realtors and

property management companies for about ten years prior to 2008. He has never had one complaint about his work. As far as hating Rhoads, that kind of feeling would have been foreign to him, as he has always understood that hate is like venom. Carrying hate for anyone is like drinking poison and hoping the other person gets sick. As far as Rhoads saying to Mendell and testifying at trial that she never wanted Nathan on her job, that is rebutted by her writing him a personal check for extra work she asked him to do during construction. Nathan worked on Rhoads' addition at almost half his rate of pay, as a favor to Tony, because, at that time, Tony and Nathan's mom believed Rhoads was their friend. A perfect example of Rhoads making lies up about Nathan is her telling Mendell that Nathan smoked cigarettes on the job, Nathan has never been a cigarette smoker.

Nathan's dad, Tony, a Licensed Painting contractor was very successful, his clients would wait over a year for him to paint their homes. Tony had a reputation for the highest quality work and attention to detail in the wealthier areas of Contra Costa. For his clients, it was considered a privilege and a great source of pride to tell others that Tony painted their home. There has never been a complaint about Tony's work.

This truth of course did not stop Rhoads from slandering Tony's name to everyone who would listen to her, including Mendell, who during his recorded interview, had very bad things to say about Tony, such as telling the detectives that Tony fled to Oregon to avoid all the civil suits filed against him. Tony and Nathan's mom, still live in the same house, in Martinez which they have lived in, for more than forty years.

Over the last sixteen years, while in prison, Nathan has cultivated a deep love and compassion for everyone, especially Rhoads, as he too, intimately knows what it

was like to have to live with ignorance and desires which caused him to only care about what he wanted in the past. He only hopes that Rhoads is able to find forgiveness for herself and what has been done, as it is not possible to have peace of mind, while holding resentment and grudges. He does sincerely hope she finds peace. He means this for everyone.

On a conscious level, Nathan says that he does not believe that he holds any animosity, resentment, or anger towards Rhoads. However, in writing his book, while in captivity, he finds within himself, contradictions, or parts of himself, that are not always in agreement. So far, he is unable to write about what happened without giving the appearance of animosity. It could possibly exist in the deep recesses of his mind, or maybe it is just how the subject matter comes across. Either way, he asks for your understanding, if what you read, brings out uncomfortable feelings in you, as he has been unable to find a way to write about this most difficult subject in a kinder way.

Nathan feels that it is his own failure, that he is unable to express with words his love and compassion, which he has cultivated in prison, while at the same time writing about Rhoads. He supposes the only way this could truly be done, would be to not write about her at all. However, he believes his silence would only lead him into further separation from his parents, and his eventual death in prison. His aging parents need him now more than ever, and it is breaking his heart that they have to live under the stigma of having a convicted murderer as a son, and that he is unable to be there for them. He has no choice but to get the truth out to the public, as that is the only remedy available for him at this time, as the courts continue to illegally suppress all exculpatory evidence from him, and have refused to review any new evidence in his case. Therefore, he must put the love and compassion which he has cultivated aside, in order to help write this chapter.

The lives of everyone who loved or cared about Joshua and Nathan were torn apart. Please read this with an open mind and heart, and reserve any judgement you might have, till after this chapter is completed.

In this book and at: www.WrongfulMurderConviction.com you have access to all the information that was concealed from Nathan and the jury. We pray that your more educated verdict will be different than theirs.

This is written with a heavy heart.

Rhoads' husband, Dusty, and Tony (Nathan's dad) were friends. Dusty was Nathan's parent's, Heating and Air Conditioning guy. Nathan, his Mom, and Tony sent Dusty customers through referral, helping him grow his business. Dusty showed Nathan how to earthquake strap his first water heater, when he started his home repair business.

Beverly, whom everyone called Sam, was his wife. They had two children; Joshua and Brandy. At some point, something went terribly wrong with their relationship, and they divorced. Dusty moved to the other side of the country to get as far away from Rhoads as possible. He did not want to leave his children with her; however, he had no choice, as Rhoads was making his life a living hell. He warned Nathan's parents, to get away from her too, because she was malicious, vindictive, and greedy. He warned them, not to stay friends with her; because, as he said, she will find a way to burn them, as she had done to him and many others.

Nathan's parents didn't listen, they just chalked-up what Dusty said to a bad divorce. They also felt bad for Rhoads, because she was now a single mom raising two kids. They helped her out whenever they could. They invited her and her kids to holiday dinners, and on a couple occasions, they ate holiday meals at Rhoads' home.

Their first warning sign, was when Rhoads hired Nathan to do an emergency repair on her home-business phone lines. The phone company couldn't get there fast enough for her. Nathan found the problem in the phone company's box. It was mounted under the overhang, filled with rain water, and the contacts were corroded. He removed the water, cleaned what contacts he could, and reconnected her lines, so all her phones would work. Nathan wrote down, and told her that she needed to have the phone company come out and move the box, because after the next rains, he told her, she will have the same problem all over again. He told her the junction box was the phone company's property and they would move it at no charge.

Rhoads never called the phone company, and blamed Nathan after the next rains came and her phones went dead. Nathan got a nasty call from her, telling him something about not guaranteeing his work. In addition to the blame she put on Nathan, she wrote him a bad check, which she found a way to blame it on his bank. This, combined with what Dusty told Nathan's parents, should have been an early warning sign for what was to come. However, his parents didn't heed the warning, and were also taken advantage of.

Nathan's parents previously hired Rhoads to write their family Trust. They had no idea that in doing so, they gave a con-artist access to their accounts.

With this information, Rhoads knew Nathan's parents were in a good financial position with their real estate, so she asked for their help in building an addition to her home. Rhoads took advantage of Nathan's mom's, great compassion for single moms.

Nathan now believes, this all started the day his parents hired Rhoads to create their family Trust. He believes she saw there was money that she wanted to get her

hands on, and she apparently came up with a plan. A plan to get Tony to unwittingly build and pay for an addition on her home.

In 2003, Rhoads asked Tony if he would help her build an addition on to her house. Rhoads knew that Tony was a very successful painting contractor, and that he used to build homes with his older brother, Ron. Tony told her, that he used to enjoy those projects.

He had just been so busy with his business painting homes, that he hadn't had any time to work on construction projects, that he enjoyed.

So when Rhoads asked for his help, Tony agreed. A contract was drawn up and signed stating that Rhoads was to be the owner/builder, and that Tony was going to manage the job. Rhoads already knew, and it was clearly stated in the contract that Tony was not a licensed general contractor. As the owner/builder Rhoads was responsible for getting all the building permits.

Tony took this on as a favor, not charging Rhoads as a general contractor would, nor did he charge her for the majority of his time. He brought in and paid other licensed contractors to do the work in their respective fields. He had an electrical contractor do the main part of the electrical, and Nathan ran and installed all the outlets and lighting.

Rhoads kept making changes to the blueprint plans. She had a load-bearing wall moved, she changed her master bath into a ninety-thousand-dollar bathroom, making the shower into a large steam room with multiple shower heads. A separate jacuzzi tub and two tankless instant hot water heaters, were installed to supply both the new and old sections of the house. She asked Nathan to install electrical outlets in her medicine cabinet, which he told her he couldn't do, because that would be a code violation. She complained. Nathan also installed multiple

outlets in her two master bedroom walk-in closets.

Throughout all the difficulties that everyone was having with Rhoads, and even when Nathan had to explain to her that he could not install outlets that would violate the electrical code, none of their conversations became argumentative. Rhoads even hired Nathan to do work for her in the old section of her house, which she paid him separately to do. There was never any time where Rhoads did not want Nathan on her job. However, during his trial, she testified that she told Tony that she didn't want him working at her home. She made it sound like Nathan was hostile towards her. Neither of these things were true; however, these lies helped bring her more sympathy, while turning the jury further against him, after all, who was going to question a grieving mother. Rhoads painted an ugly picture of Nathan's parents and him, in order to get the jury to make an emotional decision, so they wouldn't take a deeper look at the evidence which contradicted the prosecution's case.

Nathan wasn't the only one who experienced Rhoads' mercurial changes to the plans. She demanded multiple changes throughout the addition, causing problems with the architect and workers. Everyone on the job started referring to her as the "evil lady". Even her own son, Joshua, wasn't safe from her outbursts. She argued with, and yelled at him, which made being on the job, an even more unpleasant experience. Since Nathan did not grow up with a family that treated each other so terribly, this was completely foreign to him.

Nathan states that it was an uncomfortable environment to work in, and that there was a lot of vandalism around her home back in 2004. While Tony's work van was parked in front of Rhoads' home, someone broke the drivers side window, and his side view mirror. Mendell, her tenant's work van window was also broke more than once in front of her house.

During the trial, Rhoads and the prosecutor led the jury to believe that the vandalism which occurred at her house only started after she filed her civil suit against Tony, and that the vandalism at her home was revenge for the civil suit. They did this to cover up the fact that Rhoads already had at least one persistent and very active enemy, before her filing a law suit against Tony regarding the construction job. Rhoads' neighbors called the police on multiple occasions for disturbances at her home.

At the time, Tony agreed to help Rhoads build the addition to her home, Rhoads knew Nathan's parents were in a good financial position. Nathan believes, her plan the whole time, was to bleed them of the money she knew they had, from when she created their family trust. He believes her intention was to keep making changes after the blueprints were completed, and to add extra expensive items, while getting his parents to pay for them. He believes her intention was to be so difficult, that Tony would be forced to quit the job, so she could sue him for abandoning the job, and then go after him for not having a general contractors license. He believes she did all this in order to sue Tony and get her hands on the money that she knew his parents had, while making them pay for her addition.

Rhoads had a budget for her addition which did not include the major changes that she made which were described earlier.

Every dime Tony collected from Rhoads for the addition went to pay for materials, workers, and other contractors. After that money ran out, Rhoads asked Nathan's mom and Tony, if they could help her by keeping the job going. Rhoads had Nathan's mom and Tony, paying for materials and other peoples' labor, out of their own pockets.

Rhoads promised them that she had money coming, and that she would pay them back. Since Rhoads was a family friend, Nathan's Mom and Tony, didn't even have

to think about it; of course they would help her out. However, every time Rhoads said she was going to pay them, she would come up with an excuse which was never her fault. She seemed to always have someone else to blame. After Nathan's parents finally recognized what Rhoads was doing, it was too late.

After they had already spent around ten-thousand dollars, of their own money, on Rhoads' addition, they realized that she never had any intention of paying them back. Nathan's parents never told him about Rhoads intentionally scamming them. They never held a grudge against her, they just wrote off the loss, as a lesson learned, and then moved on with their lives. By this time Nathan had already finished the electrical work, so his part of the job was already complete. As far as he knew, Rhoads was waiting on financing to finish the addition. Once Rhoads realized that Nathan's parents were no longer going to spend any more of their own money on her addition, and that they would be able to counter her claim of abandoning the job by showing that Rhoads' wasn't paying them, she changed her legal tactics and filed a cease and desist order with new false claims.

Nathan's parents, tried to help out someone they thought was a friend, but she intentionally scammed them out of time and money. What was their reward for turning the other cheek? For taking the loss, and just moving on with their lives?

- Rhoads filed a lawsuit against Tony for abandoning the job, and not having a general contractor's license. (This was like someone you thought was a friend punching you in the face, and then suing you for hurting their hand)
- Rhoads kept harassing the state contractors license board, trying to get them to revoke Tony's painting contractor's license. (She was unsuccessful)
- Rhoads relentlessly tried to go after Tony's insurance bond. (She was unsuccessful)
- Rhoads harassed Nathan's parents by phone.

- Rhoads was calling the IRS, giving them false information to initiate yearly audits for his parents.
- For four years Rhoads constantly bad-mouthed Tony to anyone who would listen to her. She used the church she belonged to, to go on a slander campaign to try to get contractors and decorators to refuse to work with him. She even tried to get contractors, which Tony had very good relations with, to not work with him anymore, threatening them with being boycotted for doing business with him.

Prior to this Tony has never had any complaints about his work.

Years after the construction debacles with Rhoads' house, Rhoads continued to bad-mouth Tony and Nathan. For example, Tony's brother, Lynn, who still spoke with Rhoads, would tell Nathan's parents that Rhoads was trying to get information on them from him. She would constantly talk to anyone who would listen, about how much she hated Tony and Nathan.

Nathan and his parent's heard for the first time during Nathan's preliminary hearing, from Mendell, that Rhoads would go on a tirade about them at least three to four times a week. According to her tenant, she would also accuse Nathan whenever anything happened or went wrong at the house, saying, "I know Nathan did this." She demonized Tony and Nathan so much, that the people in her life, didn't want to hear it anymore. Neither Tony nor Nathan had any idea they were constantly being blamed for anything that was happening at Rhoads' house. This was happening many years after they stopped working on her addition, and had no contact with her at all. This was her one sided-obsession with Tony and Nathan.

Nathan says that it is beyond his comprehension how Rhoads, who played no part in his life, for about four years, could carry so much hate for him and Tony. He had no idea that Rhoads was convincing Mendell, and who knows who else, that he

was a violent devil.

At the end of 2007, someone vandalised Rhoads' home and car. Even though Rhoads did not see who committed this crime, she called the police and filed a police report stating that she knew Nathan did it. She even had Mendell claim to see a silver Mitsubishi Eclipse, with a woman driving, drive away from the scene. She described a car that Nathan's fiancé, Bunnie, had driven around the time when the addition was being built, four years prior. That car was a lease that Bunnie turned in, years before this vandalism. Bunnie's new car was a black Mercedes SUV.

Nathan believes Rhoads' overactive imagination and paranoia got the best of her. She had clearly made many enemies, who were vandalising her home and cars parked at her house. For some unknown reason, she focused all her paranoia onto Tony and him. Could it have been her guilty conscious?

In her own mind, she made Nathan out to be the boogyman, and it appears she came up with another plan to put him away. Yes, Nathan says, he knows how crazy this sounds; however, how many people do you know that would scare their spouse so bad, that they would leave their two young children, which they love, and move from California to the east coast just to get away from them? Dusty left Rhoads because he was scared of what she was going to do to him. He was afraid that if he stayed in California, she would either get him sent to prison, or he would end up dead.

It seems that Rhoads is driven by greed and an obsessive hatred that she is unwilling or unable to let go of. The evidence suggests that Rhoads hired someone to set Nathan up for arson, and this is how he was dragged into her insane world.

Regarding the civil suit against Tony, It was found out later, that this is something

she does. Tony isn't the only contractor she has done this to.

Rhoads is a con-artist. According to a reputable database used by private investigators she has gone by at least 18 known Aliases, and according to the same report, Rhoads possibly has 15 e-mail accounts that can be tied to her.

Rhoads has owned and/or transferred property using the following names: M Rhoads Rhoads Beverly, Beverly M Rhoads, Rhoads Beverly M Living Trust, Rhoads Beverly M Trust, Rhoads Mullins Rhoads Beverly, S M Rhoads Beverly, Rhoads Beverly Rhoads, Beverly Rhoads, Beverly Rhoads Rhoads

There is no legitimate reason why someone would use so many aliases, other than to hide their tracks while involved in illegal, or at minimum unethical activity, and to make it hard for an investigator to investigate them. Nathan believes Rhoads has been able to hide her illegal activities through using different variations of her names and trusts. However, what she could not hide from her victims was her address (which was most likely why there was so much vandalism happening at her house, over three years before her falling out with his parents).

Trial

During the trial, Rhoads filled the courtroom with people from her church, to where Nathan's parents and friends, who supported him, would have no room to sit. They would all talk loudly in the courtroom and hallway, improperly influencing the jury. The bailiff eventually told her church members, they could no longer be in the courtroom, because they were too disruptive.

Rhoads and the prosecutor made Nathan's parents look like they were scamming her (ironic). During Rhoads' recorded interview, she told the detective that Nathan's parents owned 6 properties in Bandon, Oregon. She knew about these properties, which they owned before the construction work, because they trusted

Rhoads enough to hire her to write their trust.

During the trial approximately a year and a half later, Rhoads told the jury that Nathan's parents bought thirteen properties in Bandon, Oregon with the money she claimed they stole from her. (Rhoads told Tony's bonding company that she had proof, that his parents bought 17 properties in Bandon with her money). There were no new properties bought in that year and a half period, and It didn't matter that they did not own thirteen or seventeen properties in Bandon, or that the properties they did own were from before Rhoads' job, or that his parents didn't keep any of Rhoads' money. Rhoads made up the number 13, just because, she thought it would sound worse than 6, and because there was no one to hold her accountable for any of her lies while under oath.

Rhoads was able to lie to the jury and say anything that she thought would prejudice them against Nathan and his parents, and they could not do anything about it.

Nathan's parents could not defend themselves against Rhoads' false accusations, as any attempt to do so, would be made to look like an attack on a grieving mother. This was a lose-lose situation, where they could not do anything, while Rhoads and the prosecutor could make up any lies they wanted to, without any concern for the truth or being held accountable.

Nathan's parents were told that they could not give testimony or be witnesses in his trial, if they wanted to be able to be present in court every day to support him.

Rhoads also lied to the jury regarding the temporary emergency repair Nathan did on her phone lines. She told the jury he was incompetent, did shoddy work, that he falsely accused her of writing him a bad check, and that she had to have her daughter fix her phone lines.

Rhoads, besides knowingly giving perjured testimony during Nathan's trial, also committed 'fraud on the court' in order to collect more money off of Joshua's murder. She made false claims stating that Joshua did all the gardening, yard work, maintenance and repair on her house and car, in order to collect more money from the Victims Compensation Board (VCB), the court, and Nathan. Rhoads claimed that Joshua's contributions to her were over \$25,000 annually. Nathan's parents tried to submit receipts from the actual professionals Rhoads hired to do the work that she claimed Joshua did, including receipts and work orders from her landscapers, gardeners, mechanics and the contractors that worked on her house. The court refused to look at them.

Rhoads did everything she could to get Nathan's restitution as high as she could. The more she claimed Joshua did for her, meant the more she would collect. Nathan was charged for two funerals. One locally and another on the east coast, where Dusty lived. He was even charged for the travel expenses and two urns.

Rhoads also manipulated the Victims Compensation Board (VCB) process. Money is only supposed to be paid out to direct family. However, Rhoads had a girlfriend whose granddaughter collected several thousand dollars from the VCB, stating that she was direct family and was affected by the death of Joshua.

People may react scathingly for writing this; however, in all honesty, it has to be said that Rhoads losing her son, Joshua, did not change her primary motivation and character. She continues to be motivated by hatred and greed, profiting off of Joshua's murder, by falsifying documents, and giving false information to try and collect more money.

As of this writing, Nathan's restitution (direct court order) is now over \$350,000.00 as it goes up by more than a \$1,000.00 a month in interest. Rhoads tried to sue Nathan's Mom, Tony, their trust, and him for wrongful death, and other accusations

using the same lies she told the jury during his murder trial. Attorneys hired by Allstate were able separate Nathan's parents and their trust, from him, regarding Rhoads' civil suit. Rhoads succeeded in getting a \$4,687,000.00 civil judgment against Nathan.

To further demonstrate Rhoads' greed, she also filed a civil suit against the civil attorney whom she hired to sue Nathan's parents, him, and the civil attorneys hired by Allstate. While Rhoads' own attorney was still working for her, she filed a suit against him. He had to hear about her suing him from Nathan's parents' attorney.

Rhoads' attorney had contacted Nathan's parents' attorneys, to inform them that Rhoads was filing a suit against them. It was during this call that Nathan's parents' attorneys asked Rhoads' attorney, why he was still working for a client that was suing him. Her attorney had no idea that she had filed against him, too. Essentially, Rhoads filed suit against anyone she could think of.