



From left: Ashleigh "Ash" Kelley and Alaina Urquhart, hosts of *Morbid*.  
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married, and Lynn Noyes, the mistress who wanted him to get rid of Carole ... for good.

Carole was mostly unaware of her husband's long time dalliance, and the couple lived what she thought was a stable life in Cottonwood. At age 28, she was pregnant and blissfully ignorant to the fact her husband was plotting her murder—and that he and his friends made several botched attempts to murder Noyes' husband, as well. Noyes was an accomplice to these schemes, as were two other men, Norman Daniels and Dale Gordon. Daniels particularly bought Garton's BS about The Company and aspired to become a member. Garton told him if he killed Carole, he would get \$25,000 and be initiated into the

secret firm. If he failed or backed out, Garton claimed The Company would kill him.

On May 16, 1998, Garton came home from working a gun show to find his wife shot to death and his truck missing. Daniels was arrested the following day and sang like a canary, outing everyone involved and Garton's crazy lies. Garton was so pathological he seemed to believe some of his yarns and at his trial in 2001 sometimes spoke in a fake Irish accent. The jury and judge weren't impressed with any of the defendants: Daniels was sentenced to 50 years, Noyes to 25, and Gordon to 10. Garton is currently on Death Row at San Quentin State Prison.

*Small Town Murder* and *Morbid* are both available on several platforms (see info box for site links); Pietragallo and Whisman are embarking on a live tour in August, with stops in San Francisco and Sacramento.



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