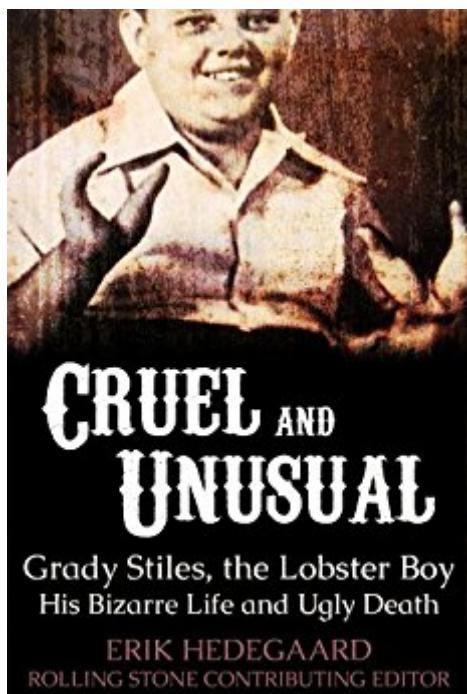


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# Cruel & Unusual: The Bizarre Life And Ugly Death Of Grady Stiles, The Lobster Boy



## Synopsis

Grady Stiles was born with claws for hands, flippers for feet, and a stone for a heart. After years of abuse, his wife and stepson allegedly had him killed. Come now and witness the bizarre life and gruesome death of the Lobster Boy, one of the last of the American carnival's sideshow freaks. This story originally appeared in Details magazine, the October 1994 issue. Since that time, it has become known as the definitive Lobster Boy biography. It's not as long as a regular overstuffed biography. But it's all there. And it will fry your brain, just as it fried the author's brain when he wrote it. Erik Hedegaard has been a contributing editor at Rolling Stone for the past 15 years or so, mainly on the movie-star celebrity-type beat. He has been nominated for a National Magazine Award.

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The author is completely clueless and this was NOT a factual story other than Stiles' autobiographical information. Many of his "facts" are incorrect and the rest of the pages are merely the authors OPINIONS about Stiles and his affliction.

This book was very strange, but that's to be expected from a book with the word bizarre in the

cover. My only complaint is I think it could have been longer because the author seemed to have a lot of good material that could be expanded upon.

I admit I was mislead by the description. This article, while well written actually spoke more of the other "special people" than it did on Grady Stiles.

I started watching the one hour documentary on Discovery ID. Mr. Hedegaard was one of the guests on the show. As soon as I got to the office, I went online and ordered his story.

great book. it has a curious tabloid style that makes it even more compelling. there's nothing pleasant going on here. always regretted throwing my copy out.

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