





<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>BASIL HUGH BANGHART</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>PRISON ESCAPE ARTIST, LIQUOR, BANK ROBBERIES, KIDNAPPING.</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	"The Owl" because of his abnormally large eyes
<b>BIRTH:</b>	September 11, 1901 in Berville, Michigan
<b>DEATH:</b>	April 5, 1982 in Los Angeles, California
<b>CAUSE:</b>	natural causes
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	girlfriend Mae Blacock
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	-
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Roger "The Terrible" Touhy, James Tribble, Frank Nitti, William Sharkey, Charles C. Connors, Isaac A. Costner and Ludwig Schmidt, Big Ed Darlak
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	large eyes
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	skilled with machine guns, very intelligent and astute
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	although he had an IQ of 107, he dropped out of college to become a professional car thief.
<b>MONEY:</b>	\$20,000 robbery at melrose park FBI agents recovered a total of \$13,605.00 which the gang had taken in a robbery on December, 1942.
<b>JAIL:</b>	stole over one hundred cars before his arrest in 1926. 99 years imprisonment because of the kidnappings, escaped 6 times
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	Roger Touhy, Gangster (1944)



<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>JOHN HERBERT DILLINGER, JR.</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>BANK ROBBERIES, MURDER</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	Jackrabbit
<b>BIRTH:</b>	June 22, 1903 in Oak Hill, Indiana
<b>DEATH:</b>	July 22, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois
<b>CAUSE:</b>	Dillinger went to the theater with Polly Hamilton, and Ana Cumpănaş. After the movie, Special Agent Melvin Purvis stood by the front door and signaled Dillinger's exit by lighting a cigar. Three agents opened fire and Dillinger was hit from behind. Dillinger died quickly from his wounds.
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	wife Beryl Ethel Hovious (divorced 1929), girlfriend Evelyn "Billie" Frechette
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	-
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Harry "Pete" Pierpont, John Paul Chase, Babyface Nelson, Homer van Meter, John "Red" Hamilton, Russell Clark, Charles Makley, Edward W. Shouse, Jr. of Terre Haute, Harry Copeland, James "Oklahoma Jack" Clark, Walter Dietrich, Tommy Carroll, Joseph Fox, Joe Burns, James Jenkins, Charles Fisher
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	brown mole between eyebrows, mustache, 1/2 inch scar back left hand
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	implacable to his enemies but could also be very gallant, polite, funny and sentimental.
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	worked in a machine shop
<b>MONEY:</b>	Dillinger and his gang robbed a total of more than \$300,000 in about 25 banks.
<b>JAIL:</b>	was convicted of assault and battery with intent to rob and was sentenced to 10 to 20 years in prison, escaped on the way to prison but was caught again. He was in jail after he robbed a bank but escaped again.
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	Dillinger (1945), Dillinger (1973), Dillinger - Staatsfeind Nummer 1 (1991), Public Enemies (2009)



**FULL NAME:** ARTHUR SIMON FLEGENHEIMER

**CRIMES:** BURGLARY, MOBSTER OF KOSHER NOSTRA, ROBBERY, BEER TRADE, KIDNAPPING

**NICKNAME:** Flegenheimer copied the name of his boss's son Dutch Schultz.

**BIRTH:** August 6, 1902 in Bronx, New York

**DEATH:** October 23, 1935 in Newark, New Jersey

**CAUSE:** was shot at the Palace Chop House with three associates

**SPOUSE:** girlfriend Frances Geis Maxwell

**CHILDREN:** Anne Davis and John David

**MEMBERS:** Joey Noe, Lucky Luciano, Meyer Lansky, Lucky Luciano, Giuseppe Masseria

**SCARS AND MARKS:** -

**CHARACTER:** reputation for brutality when he lost his temper. Ruthlessness

**OCCUPATION:** feeder and pressman for Clark Loose Leaf Co., Caxton Press, American Express, Schultz Trucking, career working for the Italian competitors

**MONEY:** \$35,000 ransom for kidnapping Joe Rock

**JAIL:** 1919 was caught breaking into an apartment and sent to prison for one year

**FILM ADAPTIONS:** Portrait of a Mobster (1961), Gangsters Wars (1982), Billy Bathgate (1991), Hit the Dutchman (1992), The Outfit (1993), Trust in Me (1994), Hoodlum (1997)



<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>MAJER SUCHOWLIŃSKI</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>DEVELOPED A GAMBLING EMPIRE, BOOTLEGGING, ORGANIZED CRIME</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	"Honest Meyer", because he never gyped other mobsters, "Brains of the Combination", "The little man"
<b>BIRTH:</b>	July 2, 1902 Grodno, Russian Empire (now Belarus)
<b>DEATH:</b>	January 15, 1983 Miami Beach, Florida
<b>CAUSE:</b>	lung cancer
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	wife Anna Citron (divorced 1946), second wife Thelma Sheer Schwartz ("Teddy")
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	Paul, Bernard (Buddy) and Sandra
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Bugsy Siegel, Lucky Luciano, Tony Accardo, Joe Adonis, Frank Costello, Giuseppe Masseria, Louis Buchalter, Albert Anastasia, Johnny Torrio
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	in his later years he dressed like a grandfather and personated himself as a harmless retiree. Lansky was so elusive that the FBI essentially gave up tapping and supervising him.
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	had the first and the last word in organized crime. Everybody listened to Mayer because it paid. He was a member of the Jewish Mafia, but had strong influence with the Italian Mafia. Lansky is described as king of all evil, the brains, the secret mover, the inspirer and controller of American organized crime. He had a very good memory.
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	unknown
<b>MONEY:</b>	the FBI believed he left behind over \$300 million in hidden bank accounts, but they never found any money.
<b>JAIL:</b>	was not in jail
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	The Godfather Part II (1974), Bugsy (1991), Mobsters (1991), Meyer Lansky (1999), The Lost City (2005)



<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>JACK MORAN</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>KIDNAPPING, BOOTLEGGING, BURGLARY, NUMBERS MAN, HEROIN BUSINESS</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	Jack "Legs" Diamond. He was nicknamed "Legs" and "Gentleman Jack". Perhaps it was because of his long legs and his ability to use them to run from pursuing police officers. Or it may have been because of his ability on the dance floor of the nightclubs he loved to frequent.
<b>BIRTH:</b>	July 10, 1897 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
<b>DEATH:</b>	December 18, 1931 in Albany, New York
<b>CAUSE:</b>	shot by his enemies one day after he had been charged to four years in prison.
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	first wife: Florance William (lasted only a few months), second: Alice Kenny, Showgirl Marion "Kiki" Roberts
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	-
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Lucky Luciano, Arnold "The Brain" Rothstein, "Little Augie" Jacob Orgen, Dutch Schultz, Meyer lansky, Charles Entratta
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	was very womanizing and handsome often wore a hat.
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	flamboyant lifestyle, good dancer, loyal, but not averse to betraying someone when he saw fit
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	very soon joined a New York street gang
<b>MONEY:</b>	unknown
<b>JAIL:</b>	served in the U.S. Army during World War I, but was convicted and jailed for desertion.
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	The Untouchables (1960), The Rise and Fall of Legs Diamond (1960), Gangsters Wars (1982),

**FULL NAME:** ARIZONA DONNIE CLARK

**CRIMES:** WAS THE MOTHER OF SEVERAL CRIMINALS WHO RAN THE BARKER GANG. KNEW OF THE GANG'S ACTIVITIES AND HELPED THEM BEFORE AND AFTER THEY COMMITTED THEIR CRIMES.

**NICKNAME:** Kate "Ma" Barker

**BIRTH:** October 8, 1873 in Ash Grove, Missouri

**DEATH:** January 16, 1935 in Ocklawaha, Florida

**CAUSE:** homicide by police

**SPOUSE:** husband George Elias Barker

**CHILDREN:** Herman, Lloyd, Fred, Arthur "Doc"

**MEMBERS:** Barker-Karpis Gang: Alvin Karpis, Herman, Lloyd, Fred, Arthur "Doc" Barker.

**SCARS AND MARKS:** -

**CHARACTER:** liked to live well, and purchased expensive clothing, furniture from the proceeds of her sons' crimes. More intelligent than her sons, she ruled them, discouraging them from having any girlfriends.

**OCCUPATION:** housewife

**MONEY:** they did not have much money when Ma Barker separated from George and raised her kids on her own.

**JAIL:** Ma Barker was an accomplice, but there was no evidence that she was ever an active participant in any of the crimes themselves or involved in planning them. She never went to jail.

**FILM ADAPTIONS:** Bloody Mama (1970), Ma Barker's Killer Brood (1960), Public Enemies (1996)

**FULL NAME:** BENJAMIN HYMEN SIEGELBAUM

**CRIME:** ROBBERY, RAPE, MURDER, BOOTLEGGING, GAMBLING

**NICKNAME:** Bugsy Siegel. In gangster circles, the nickname "Bugsy" is often a term of endearment or honor. It is given out to those who show no fear in sticky situations or who are willing to step up to jobs that others are afraid to take. Bugsy Siegel earned the nickname early on in his criminal career because of his tendency to "go bugs" whenever he was angered or thwarted. Siegel preferred that his friends call him Ben.

**BIRTH:** February, 28, 1906 in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, New York

**DEATH:** June 20, 1947 in Beverly Hills, California

**CAUSE:** murdered

**SPOUSE:** wife: Esta (Estella) Krakower, mistress Virginia Hill

**CHILDREN:** Millicent and Barbara

**MEMBERS:** Meyer Lansky, Dutch Schultz, Salvatore Maranzano, Lucky Luciano, Albert "Mad Hatter" Anastasia, Frank Costello, Joe Adonis

**SCARS AND MARKS:** very handsome, piercing blue eyes, well dressed

**CHARACTER:** he was a polite man, had an obsession with his "Flamingo Hotel".

**OCCUPATION:** joined a street gang when he was a boy

**MONEY:** opened the "Flamingo Hotel" in Las Vegas with the financial support of the Cosa Nostra. During the construction the costs soared above \$6 million. The Flamingo Hotel did not succeed, and this was the downfall for Bugsy. The mobsters felt betrayed. Meyer Lansky was on Bugsy's side but with the breakdown of the "Flamingo Hotel" he was shot by an unknown assailant. was not in jail.

**JAIL:** The Godfather (1972), Gangsters Wars (1982), Mobsters /

**FILM ADAPTIONS:** The evil empire (1991), Bugsy (1991), Casino (1995)



<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>CHARLES ARTHUR FLOYD</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>MURDER, STORE ROBBERIES, STORE ROBBERIES, VAGRANCY</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	He was nicknamed "Pretty Boy" Floyd by the press, a name that he personally hated. The name came from his first major robbery, when the robbed paymaster described him as a "pretty boy with apple cheeks" to an interviewing reporter.
<b>BIRTH:</b>	February 3, 1904 in Adairsville Bartow, Georgia
<b>DEATH:</b>	October 22, 1934 near East Liverpool, Ohio
<b>CAUSE:</b>	killed by law enforcement officers
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	Ruby Lee Hangrove (divorced)
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	Jack Dempsey Floyd was born while Floyd was serving
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Adam Richetti, Vernon Miller, Frank Nash
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	tattoo nurse in rose
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	A Robin Hood who enjoyed hitting back against the wealthy for the defense of the poor.
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	unknown
<b>MONEY:</b>	\$23,000 bounty
<b>JAIL:</b>	1925 five years because of burglary, 1930 fifteen years for bank robbery but escaped on the way to the prison
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	Public enemies (2009)

<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>LESTER JOSEPH GILLIS</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>MURDER, CAR THEFTS, BOOTLEGGING, ARMED ROBBERIES</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	George Nelson. Was called "Baby Face" by his gang members due to his juvenile appearance
<b>BIRTH:</b>	December 6, 1908 in Chicago, Illinois
<b>DEATH:</b>	November 27, 1934 in Chicago, Illinois
<b>CAUSE:</b>	killed by special agents
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	Helen Wawzynak
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	Robert and Darlene
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	John Dillinger, John Paul Chase, Homer van Meter
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	juvenile, in his last years he had a moustache
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	irascible, brutal
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	oiler
<b>MONEY:</b>	\$100,000 worth of jewelry in robberies, \$40,000 in bank robberies, stole the jewelry of the wife of Chicago mayor Big Bill Thompson valued at \$18,000
<b>JAIL:</b>	in 1921, at the age of twelve, Nelson was arrested after accidentally shooting a fellow child with a pistol he had found. He served over a year in the state reformatory. At age 13, he was arrested for car theft and sent to a penal school for 18 months. 1931 was sentenced to one year of prison and escaped in 1932
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	Babyface Nelson (1957), Dillinger (1973), Babyface Nelson (1996), O Brother, where art thou? (2000), Public Enemies (2009)

<b>FULL NAME:</b>	<b>GRISELDA BLANCO</b>
<b>CRIMES:</b>	<b>MURDER, DRUG TRAFFIC</b>
<b>NICKNAME:</b>	Grandmother of Cocaine, la Madrina, Black Widow (because she killed her three husbands.)
<b>BIRTH:</b>	February 15, 1943 in Medellin, Columbia
<b>DEATH:</b>	unknown
<b>CAUSE:</b>	was married three times. first husband: Carlos Trujillo
<b>SPOUSE:</b>	lo (father of three sons), second: Alberto Bravo, third: unknown
<b>CHILDREN:</b>	Dixon, Uber Esnyder, Osvaldo „Chicky“ and Michael Corleone (named after the protagonist in the film “The Godfather”)
<b>MEMBERS:</b>	Alfonso Lopez Trujillo, Alberto Bravo, Pepe Cabrera, Jesús “Chucho” Castro, Jorge “Rivi” Ayala, Paco “Papo” Mejia, Jaime Bravo, Miguel “Paco” Sepulveda, Miguel Velez “Cumbamba”, Miguel “Miguelito” Perez, John “El Flaco” Castrillion, “Riverito”
<b>SCARS AND MARKS:</b>	wore expensive jewelry and clothes, she even owned a ring of Eva Perón.
<b>CHARACTER:</b>	gained a lot of weight and obliged men to have sex with her at gunpoint. Reputation for being blood- thirsty, ruthless and sexually deviant. Suffered from schizophrenia derived from the drugs she consumed. Griselda was a sadistic person.
<b>OCCUPATION:</b>	was member of a street gang and was a prostitute. At age 13, she murdered an 11 year old boy because she did not get a ransom.
<b>MONEY:</b>	\$80 mio per month
<b>JAIL:</b>	spent only 20 years in prison
<b>FILM ADAPTIONS:</b>	Cocaine Cowboys (2006), Cocaine Cowboys 2 (2006)



**FULL NAME:** SALVATORE LUCANIA

**CRIMES:** EXTORTION, BOOTLEGGING, PROSTITUTION, NARCOTICS DISTRIBUTION

**NICKNAME:** there are three theories about how he got to his nickname.  
a) He earned his nickname "Lucky" for success at evading arrest and winning craps games.  
b) He survived an assault by Joe Masseria's men who slit his throat and left him beaten up. A police man called him therefore lucky.  
c) Luciano grew up in a Jewish quarter, so his name Lucania wasn't called Italian. The short form became then "Lucky".

**BIRTH:** November 24, 1897 in Lercara Friddi, Sicily, Italy

**DEATH:** January 26, 1962 in Capodicino Airport, Naples, Italy

**CAUSE:** heart attack

**SPOUSE:** girlfriend Igea Lissoni

**CHILDREN:** -

**MEMBERS:** Meyer Lansky, Bugsy Siegel, Dutch Schultz, Johnny Torrio, Frank Costello, Joe Masseria, Frankie Yale, Joe Adonis, Vito Genovese

**SCARS AND MARKS:** many scars in the face, droop on his left eye

**CHARACTER:** very idealistic and a great lover of space and freedom. A gambler, one who loves to take risks. Lack of understanding regarding others' feelings.

**OCCUPATION:** unknown

**MONEY:** was very wealthy

**JAIL:** 1936 charged as leader of one of the largest prostitution rings in American history and sentenced to 30 to 50 years in prison.

**FILM ADAPTIONS:** Gangster Wars (1982), Mobsters (1991), Billy Bathgate (1992), Hoodlum (1997)