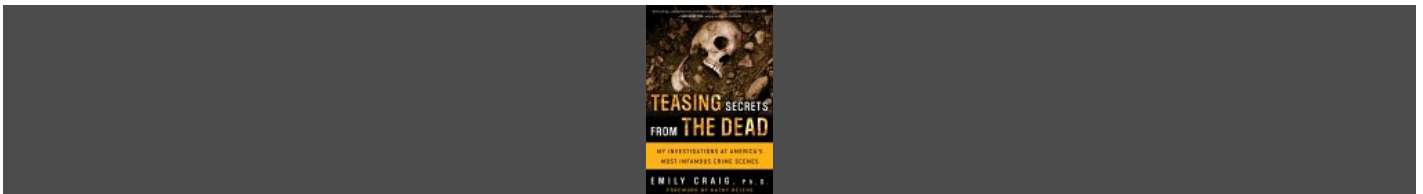


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My Investigations at America's Most
Infamous Crime Scenes

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