Does not mention King killing!

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FBI LAW ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN

MOST WANTED BY THE FBI

JAMES EARL RAY, also known as: Eric Starvo Galt, Harvey Lowmyer, John Willard, James McBride, James Walton, W. C. Herron, and James O'Conner.

Civil Rights—Conspiracy; Interstate Flight—Armed Robbery

JAMES EARL RAY is currently the subject of a massive and intensive search by the FBI for conspiring to interfere with a constitutional right of a United States citizen. A Federal warrant for his arrest on the conspiracy charge was issued at Birmingham, Ala., on April 17, 1968. Ray was placed on the FBI Ten Most Wanted Fugitives list on April 20, 1968. In addition, based on an indictment returned May 7, 1968, Shelby County, Memphis, Tenn., authorities are seeking Ray on a charge of first-degree murder.

Ray, who escaped on April 23, 1967, from the Missouri State Penitentiary, is also sought for unlawful interstate flight to avoid confinement after conviction for armed robbery. A Federal warrant on this charge was issued on July 20, 1967, at Jefferson City, Mo. The fugitive had been confined at the Missouri institution on March 17, 1960, to serve a 20-year sentence following conviction in St. Louis for armed robbery and for operating a motor vehicle without permission of the owner.

Criminal Record

Ray has a known arrest record dating back to 1949. Prior to the 1960 conviction, he had been convicted of burglary in Los Angeles, Calif., in 1949; armed robbery in Chicago, Ill., in 1952; and forging U.S. Postal Money Orders in Missouri in 1955. He has served terms in the Los Angeles County Jail in 1949; in State Prisons at Joliet and Pontiac, Ill., in 1952–54; and in the Federal Penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kans., in 1955–58.

Description

Age	40, born Mar. 10, 1928, Alton, Ill.
Height	5 feet 10 inches.
Weight	163 to 174 pounds.
Build	Medium.
Hair	Brown, possibly cut short.
Eyes	Blue.
Complexion	Medium.
Race	White.
Nationality	American.
Scars and marks	Small scar on center of forehead and small scar on palm of right hand.
Remarks	Noticeably protruding left ear; reportedly a "lone wolf"; allegedly attended dance instruction school and completed course in bartending.
Occupations	Baker, color matcher, laborer.
FBI No.	405,942 G.
Fingerprint classification:	16 M 9 U OOO 12 / M 4 W IOI

In addition, acquaintances describe Ray as a "drifter" whose language and diction reflect a "rural" quality and indicate he has had limited education. He is said to have a nervous habit of occasionally tugging at an ear lobe. He is reportedly a fan of western and country music, drinks vodka and beer, dresses neatly, and claims employment as a merchant seaman and cook on Mississippi River vessels.

Caution

Since Ray is sought in connection with a murder wherein the victim was shot, he should be considered armed and extremely dangerous.

Notify the FBI

Any person having information which might assist in locating this fugitive is requested to notify immediately the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20535, or the Special Agent in Charge of the nearest FBI field office, the telephone number of which appears on the first page of most local directories.

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