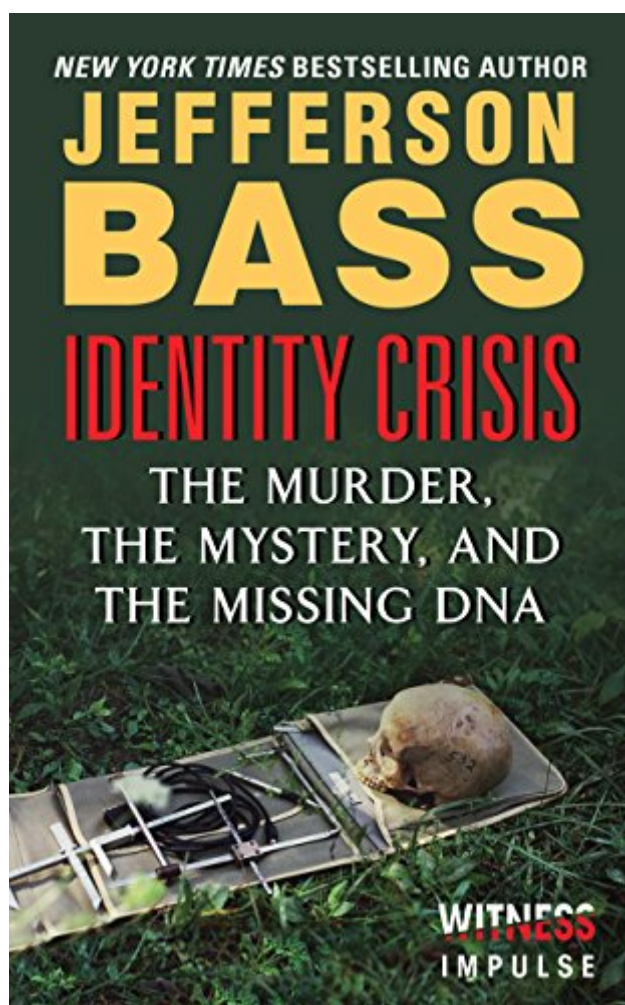




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Synopsis

Renowned forensic anthropologist Bill Bass—founder of the Body Farm—tackles one of his most baffling cases ever in this real-life spellbinder. In 1978, 56-year-old Leoma Patterson left a bar in Clinton, Tennessee, and was never seen again. Six months later, a female skeleton was found on a wooded lakeshore in a neighboring county. The bones were consistent with those of the missing woman, and one of Patterson's daughters recognized a ring found at the death scene as her mother's. The bones were buried, and six years later, a relative of Patterson—one of the men she was last seen alive with—confessed to killing her. Case closed. But the tentative identification—made years before DNA testing was available to confirm it—failed to convince some of Patterson's relatives. And so it was that in 2005 Dr. Bass found himself winding around hairpin curves to the mountainside grave, where he would unearth the disputed remains and collect DNA samples. The forensic twists and turns that followed would test the limits of DNA technology—and of Dr. Bass's half-century of forensic knowledge.

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Excellent story by the famous Dr Bass and writing partner Jon Jefferson - hence the pen name Jefferson Bass. I enjoy all of their books and look forward to perhaps another???? The stories are filled with factual info on forensic anthropology and forensic science.

I enjoy Body Farm books. I choose the book for that reason. I like mystery novels and at times, true crimes. The book was informative, enlightening and a good short read.

I hadn't realized as I bought several new books by this team that this one and possibly one other are non fiction. For me that's even better than the fiction ones.

I had thought this would be more of a crime fiction novel, as opposed to a description of the forensic process of one case. It was still fascinating.

Dr. Bass and his team share a wealth of information and insight into the world of advanced science and forensic studies. His work with the Body Farm demonstrates his brilliance in his area of expertise.

The writing is brilliant, as always. What was annoying was that it was lifted directly out of Beyond the Body Farm. I feel as though I have been copnned into paying twice for the same thing.

If you like the science behind the investigations you will enjoy this book. Another intriguing novel by the great Bass writing team.

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