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Hamptons House That Was Site of Murder Sells for More Than \$8 Million

The 2001 murder of financier R. Theodore Ammon took place in the home, which was listed for \$12.7 million about a year ago.

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A home in East Hampton, N.Y., that was the site of a high-profile 2001 murder has sold for more than \$8 million.

The sellers were twins Greg and Alexa Ammon, who were children when their adoptive father, the wealthy financier R. Theodore Ammon, was found bludgeoned to death in the home, according to court documents.

After a widely publicized trial, Daniel Pelosi, who had been romantically involved with Mr. Ammon's estranged wife, Generosa, was convicted of the murder in 2005 and is serving a prison term of 25 years to life. The late Mr. Ammon had been a partner at private-equity firm Kohlberg Kravis Roberts (now known as KKR).

Generosa Ammon married Mr. Pelosi in 2002 and died of cancer a year later. Mr. Pelosi, who pleaded not guilty, appealed his conviction in 2015 but the conviction was affirmed, according to court documents. His attorney did not immediately return calls for comment.

The twins hadn't used the house much and had been renting it out; for a summer the property could fetch about \$250,000, according to listing agent Judi A. Desiderio of Town & Country Real Estate. They put the English Manor-style home on the market about a year ago for \$12.7 million, Ms. Desiderio said. Most recently, it had been asking \$10.995 million, and sold for somewhere "in the mid 8s," she said.

The six-bedroom house sits on 2.2 acres with a swimming pool, pool house and a man-made pond with lily pads, Ms. Desiderio said. She declined to identify the buyer but said they got "an incredible deal" on the house, in part because of the home's tragic history, which she said real estate brokers are required by law to disclose.



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"Fifty percent of people would rule it out because of the history," she said, and upon learning about the home's past, some potential buyers "wouldn't even go in."

Greg and Alexa Ammon could not be reached for comment. Greg Ammon made a 2012 documentary film, "59 Middle Lane," about the murder and the twins' search for their birth parents.

The house needs a full renovation and the buyer is deciding whether to do a gut-renovation or tear it down and start over, Ms. Desiderio said.

Brown Harris Stevens represented the buyer; the firm declined to comment.

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