



In cold blood movie characters

Edit Kaltbl-tig (1967) HomeStudy GuidesIn Cold BloodCharacter List In Cold Blood The eminent and respected owner of River Valley Farm, Herb is the patriarch of the Clutter family, husband of Bonnie Clutter and father of four children: Eveanna, Beverly, Nancy and Kenyon. He is a generous employer, an active member of the Church and a hard community booster. He leads a disciplined household, and maintains a strict day-to-day diet. In the end, however, his fair and ad lifestyle makes him play into the hands of their attempted robbery and, later, a scapegoat for their own resentments. Herb's wife and mother to Nancy and Kenyon, Bonnie is a light, nervous, apologetic woman who suffers from chronic postpartum depression, which leaves her bedridden for many dys. After a sheltered childhon, she dropped out of her nursing training to marry Herb and move into her responsibilities as a housewife. Her depression gradually isolated her from many of her close friends, and she spent her last afternoon locked in her room, regretting her inability to socialize or be as tronger mother to bere she bedridden for seven to be sixteen, is a model student, class peent ker last afternoon locked in her room, regretting her inability to socialize or be as tronger mother to ver-commit to helping others. She is dating Bobby Rupp, the star of the high school basketball team. It is a point of contention between Nancy and her father, who wants to break the relationship, since Bobby is Catholic, and the Clutters are Methodists. Nancy spends her last day making a cherry pie with her young neighbor, teaching another girl about music and taking care of her horse, Babe. During the attempted robbery, prior to her murder, she manages the situation by taking to the intruders in a cool and friendly manner; Perry later claims to have loved her, despite what he later dit to her. Kenyon, who is fifteen years old, is more solitary than his sister, and uninterested in dating, preferring to spend his time in the basement clutters workshop, where he do

Dick launches the plan to rob the Clutters, but falters when it comes to carrying out the murders, and instead becomes a bystander as Perry executes the four family members. Dick is a self-confident petty criminal, who speaks well, who always plots to make money guickly, but sometimes his swagger exceeds his actual commitment to the plans he initiates. According to Perry, Dick is a real male type, a charismatic and commanding individual whom Perry feels compelled to stick by, despite his disapproval of some of Dick's behaviors. At the end of the book, however, we become aware of some of Dick's own insecurities: his inability to achieve financial security and support his first wife, Carol, and their three children, and his sexual interest in young girls, both that he compensates with bravado and reckless criminal actions. Dewey is the lead investigator on the Clutter case, and as a former friend of Herb and Bonnie, he develops an obsessive interest in tracking down the perpetrators, sacrificing his physical and mental health for the six weeks they are at large. He lives in Garden City with his wife and two sons, and through Dewey we experience most of the mixed emotions circulating in the city regarding the search, arrest and trial of the two killers. Susan (or Sue) Kidwell is Nancy's closest friend and confidante, and is one of two girls to discover the murders on the morning of November 15. Throughout the novel, she fondly reflects on her friendship with Nancy and her childhood memories at clutters, becoming a symbol of graceful and forgiving resilience in the wake of an unspeakable tragedy. Bobby Rupp is Nancy's boyfriend, and the star of the high school basketball team. Immediately after the murders were discovered, he was identified as a suspect, adding personal indignity to the devastating loss of Nancy and her family. The father of Perry, a former rodeo horseman who now resides in Alaska. Perry has mixed emotions when it comes to his father, but mostly he wants Tex John to hold him back as a teenager. Perry's sister, with whom he has a troubled relationship. She lives in San Fransisco with her husband and three children, and she and Perry rarely communicate. Dick's father, who lives in Olathe with his wife, Eunice, and the youngest son of the Hickocks. Dick's mother. Dick cellmate at of the state of Kansas, and a former employee of River Valley Farm, who told Dick that Herb Clutter kept ten thousand dollars in a safe in his Wells is the one to tip the detectives on Perry and Dick, which ultimately leads to their arrest. A detective from the Kansas Bureau of Investigation, who is part of the four-person team tracking down the killers. Another detective. B.I.I., also a member of the team. Another detective. B.I.I., also a member of the team. A friend of Nancy Clutter who, along with Susan Kidwell, discovers the murders on the morning of November 15. The Finney County Sheriff. Perry's pious and philosophical friend from the Kansas State Penitentiary, who called him exceptional. Perry considers Willie-Jay his true and only friend. The Protestant chaplain in Lansing, where Perry was once imprisoned. While under Willie-Jay's tutelage, Perry painted a portrait of Jesus that the Reverend now keeps in his office, as a testament to Perry's character. The custodian of River Valley Farm. Alvin's wife. The eldest daughter of Herb and Bonnie Clutter, who is married and lives in northern Illinois. The second daughter of the Clutters, who is studying to become a nurse in Kansas City. The insurance agent who sells Herb Clutter his life insurance policy. A Holcomb resident for two years, whom Herb Clutter chose to honor at the 4-H achievement banquet. After the murders, she and her husband Hideo decide to leave the state. Owner of Hartman's Café, a local restaurant (and rumor mill) in Holcomb. Holcomb's postmaster. The holcomb messenger, and Myrtle Clare's mother. A motorist whom Perry and Dick nearly murdered and robbed near Omaha, but they are foiled at the last minute when Bell withdraws for another hitchhiker. A boy who hitchhiked with Perry and Dick in Texas, along with his grandfather, and taught them to hunt for discarded bottles to exchange for money. Bill's grandfather, The Finney County Undersheriff, who lives next to Perry's cell in Garden City Prison. Wendle's wife, who cooks for Perry and tries to make him as comfortable as possible. Perry's state-appointed lawyer. Dick's state-appointed lawyer. A friend of Perry's army who testifies as a character witness to Perry. While in Garden City, Don dine with Perry and tries to comfort him by telling him about God's love and mercy (Perry is not convinced). The judge in the Clutter trial. A criminal psychology specialist at Larned State Hospital, who is examining Perry and Dick in preparation for the trial. He prepares a full diagnosis of the two accused, but is prevented from testifying in court. A contemporary of Dr. Jones, who publishes an article with results that resemble Dr. Jones's conclusions about Perry, indicating that Perry's psychosis not an isolated or unique phenomenon. Another prisoner on death row, who was convicted of the murders of his parents and sister. Andrews, like Perry, suffers from a probable case of schizophrenia, but his plea of insanity is also struck down by the M'Naghten rule. Two teenagers who joined the row in 1961, after being convicted of a series of murders across the country. Next section Glossary previous section in Cold Blood Summary Buy study guide Laubacher, Grace. Chazelle, Damien ed. In Cold Blood Characters. GradeSaver, July 31, 2009 Web. Quote this page with Dick, one of the two murderers of the Clutter family. He's a short man with a big torso but small legs. His legs were seriously injured in a motorcycle accident. He really wants to be educated, and he considers himself quite intelligent and artistic. His criminal record seems to be a natural extension of the strange environments in which he grew up. Along with Perry, one of the two murderers of the Clutter family. Also a small man, Dick grew up in Kansas, was married twice, and is imprisoned for passing bad checks. He is a practical man who exudes confidence and cruelty, but in reality he is not as ruthless or courageous as he seems. The father of the Clutter family. His wife is Bonnie. He has four children: two eldest daughters who have moved, and Nancy and Kenyon. His large property, River Valley Farm, keeps him moderately rich. From a short time, he built a large, prosperous farm. He is a community leader, involved in many organizations. He's a gentle man, a strict Methodist. He served on the Federal Agricultural Credit Council under Eisenhower' presidency. Herbert's wife, Bonnie, cannot follow her public image as a leader, and she retires to the house. Suffering from depressive mental disorders, she spends a lot of time in bed. With Kenyon, one of the two youngest children Clutter. They both still live at home. She is the sweetheart of the city, a class president and future prom queen. Like her father, she's very organized. A clumsy 15-year-old, Kenyon likes to tinker with carpentry and machinery. Nancy's regular boyfriend, Bobby lives nearby. An investigator for the Kansas Bureau of Investigation (KBI), Dewey is the agent in charge of much of western Kansas. He becomes very involved in the affair, to the distress of his wife, Marie, and his two little boys. One of Dewey's main KBI assistants. Nicknamed Brother Nye, he is the youngest of the group. During the capture and interrogation of Smith and Hickock, he has the flu. The oldest of the KBI assistants, Church is nicknamed Curly and is supposed to be the fastest draw in Kansas. Another of the three KBI assistants, Duntz is stuffed man with a wide face. Perry's father, Tex is a nice backwoodsman who taught Perry how to make bread, but never comes to see his son in prison. Perry's mother is Flo Buckskin, whom Tex met and married on the rodeo circuit. Nancy's best friend, Nancy, lives in Holcomb. Assistant to the chaplain of Lansing, the Kansas state prison, Willie-Jay becomes a kind of mentor to Perry. He tells Perry he's talented. An inmate at Lansing Prison. After Perry's release on parole, he became Dick's cellmate. He is a former employee of Herbert Clutter, and he speaks dick about the ranch and the layout of the house. Andrews was a young student who killed his family. He's a schizophrenic. Many of his years on death row overlap with Dick and Perry's. Perry doesn't like the fact that Andrews is highly educated. A River Valley Farm employee. A River Valley Farm employee. He and his wife live on the property. The owner of Hartman's Cafe. She has thick skin and scolds her clients when they chat too much about the Clutter murders. Perry's only living sister. She lives in San Francisco and is married. An old friend of Perry's army who begins a correspondence with him upon reading the affair in the newspaper. Newspaper.

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