

# Father Continues Search For Daughter Missing 28 Years

By Neil S. Friedman

With his daughter's 47th birthday approaching on September 24, the only thing Milton Nerenberg wishes he could give his eldest daughter is a warm embrace and a fatherly smile.

The father of Audrey Nerenberg, a Marine Park woman missing since she was 18-years-old in 1977, is offering a \$10,000 reward to any individual or group who finds his missing daughter alive or deceased. At the time of her disappearance she was 5' 4", 115 lbs., with brown hair and brown eyes, a 1/16" gap in the center of her upper teeth and some freckles on her face and hands.

According to Nerenberg, 71, who now lives in Florida, his daughter went for a walk on July 15, 1977, wearing cut off dungaree shorts, a blue tube top, a small brown shoulder bag and open toe clear plastic shoes. She was

never seen again. The day before she disappeared was the massive blackout that affected much of the east coast of the United States and parts of Canada.

Nerenberg says that on the morning after the blackout hit, he sent his two other children, Steven and Brenda off to school. Audrey could not attend school because she had schizophrenia, but she did go for a walk and never returned home.

Audrey had suffered from schizophrenia since she was 15, but her father said she started to improve under a doctor's care and was taking medication. She had several brief hospitalizations during those years.

During the 28 years that Audrey has been missing, Nerenberg has been relentless in attempting to find her. He said he has played detective and done everything possible, including getting her case on TV, radio and in local newspapers, to determine what happened to her. He refuses to give up his search and his hope.

Her case (#13606, NCIC#M5309-17038) is on file with the Missing Persons Squad of the New York City Police Department, which can be contacted 24 hours a day at 1-212-473-2042, with any information. Nerenberg says the detective assigned to the case thinks the missing woman may be alive in some mental hospital as a Jane Doe because her body or bones have never showed up.

But, Nerenberg says he could be wrong because "I know my daughter was a fighter who would fight for her life to protect herself." He also said that he believes his daughter may still be alive because there's been no evidence to the contrary, adding, "Only God knows the truth."

Audrey is also listed with all the missing children organizations and her picture is posted in many Federal buildings.

Pictures and descriptions of Audrey may be found on the Web at: [www.angelfire.com/ak/403/page10.html](http://www.angelfire.com/ak/403/page10.html).

If anyone has a question or an idea, Nerenberg can be contacted via e-mail at [m-nerenberg@yahoo.com](mailto:m-nerenberg@yahoo.com).



(Top) Missing girl as she looked in 1977. (Bottom) computer image as she might look today.