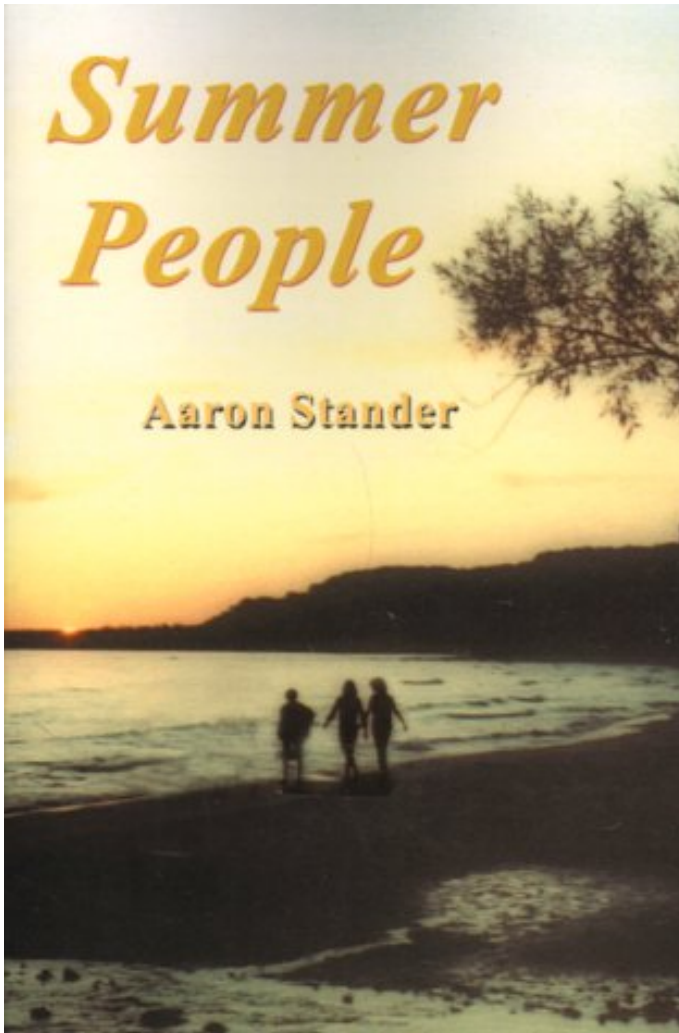


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**Aaron Stander**

**Summer People (Ray Elkins Mystery #1)**



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## Description

It's summertime and a mob-style murder followed by a string of unexplained deaths suggests someone is giving new meaning to the phrase "tourist season."

It is late June in Michigan's gold coast vacation area. The summer residents are settling in for the season and the tourists are beginning to flood the highways, beaches, and resorts. But the idyllic vision of a summer by the lake is suddenly shattered by a gangland-style slaying of one of the old money cottagers. This murder is quickly followed by the deaths of three more summer residents, each taking place under suspicious circumstances.

At times hindered by local politics and the proverbial tension between the summer people and the natives, Sheriff Ray Elkins searches for the possible links between the four victims. As he probes into their tangled lives and dark histories, he finds both the motive and the possible murderer.

## Insightful reviews

Rebekah: Several reviewers have complained about the pacing of *Summer People*, but I really liked it. It was slow and easy, just like a Michigan summer. Around here we take our watches off when summer hits and don't pick them up again until Labor Day. A book set in the Traverse Bay area that was a fast-paced thriller would have felt all wrong.

While I did like the pacing, I found much of Stander's writing style to be tedious. His setting descriptions were so detailed while his segues were abrupt. I read an e-reader version of this novel, so I'm not certain that this is a problem in the print version as well, but I found many of the typos and strange spacing issues to be a bit distracting.

All in all, I found this to be an okay read. It would have been great if I'd been lucky enough to have been lying on one of the Lake Michigan beaches or on the Bay while I was enjoying it, but it passed the time nicely in my house as well.

Steve: Sheriff Ray Elkins roams a Northwest Michigan county and has been doing so for some time now. Several Summer People (people who own summer homes and only visit during fair weather) have turned up dead in the first few weeks of summer. Elkins and team try to determine if several are accidents or are they tied up in a string of foul play.

I enjoyed the story line, easy to read, nice setting (partial, because I am a "Summer People" in this area of Michigan, well I visit year round though). Just purchased Color Tour, the second book in the series and look forward to reading it.

Nancy: It's summertime and a mob-style murder followed by a string of unexplained deaths suggests someone is giving new meaning to the phrase "tourist season."

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The murderer is someone who was raped by the men when she was very young. She is able to get away.

Joan: I stopped up a bit burdened with the plot, probably not figuring out who or why, and that I could not be to return and money details, the tale is okay, however the characters are 2 dimensional and a few of the writing is especially suspect. This word cropped up greater than as soon as :There used to be so little affect. (which I actually do not realize - affection? love? - What does the noun 'affect' mean?) and there has been this:They either gave a damaging nod.That truly made my mind hurt.

Flavio: I spent probably years to learn this book. I exploit to learn greater than a publication at once. I discovered the 1st. part very detailed, with too many happenings, and data that Ray collected. After the 1st. half, the ebook grew to become extra interesting. The solution of the tale used to be whatever disappointed, yet no longer a disaster. It used to be the author's strategies to the entire discoveries. an engaging read!

Sally Beaudean: facets of this publication appealed to me. I loved the atmosphere and a few of the writer's descriptions have been good done. I do take into account one paragraph that gave a far too exact description of ways a vehicle is pulled out of a swamp. (Do I actually want to know how the wrecker hooks up the axle to get the task done?) The characters have been interesting. I beloved the ending, since it permits the reader to make inferences approximately what particularly happened.

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