

## **SYNOPSIS**

March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1964, The New York Times published an article headlined *'37 Who Saw Murder Didn't Call the Police'*. For more than half an hour, 37 law-abiding citizens in Kew Gardens, Queens, NY, watched passively while their neighbor Kitty Genovese was brutally killed under a streetlamp outside their apartment building. She was stabbed 17 times and later raped by her killer Winston Moseley. None of the neighbors could explain why they hadn't interfere; why they had just stood by, watching.

'37' is about what went on in one of those apartments the night Kitty Genovese was murdered. Jack (George S. Irving) is old; his health is failing; and he can't sleep. Florel (Lynn Cohen) heats up milk and brings him cookies. Jack wants to read his newspaper in peace, away from his wife's nagging. Florel wants him to go to bed but her words are drowned out by the constant noise from the street. Jack ignores her, and goes to the window to see what is going on. Their daily routine is suddenly changed.