



## Catching a Killer: a Diary from the Grave

9.00pm C4

**DOCUMENTARY OF THE WEEK** Peter Farquhar was an academic and a former English teacher, adored by his former pupils and loved by his family. But at 69 Peter, a man who had been in good health, died after a long period of confusion and illness. It later emerged that he had been poisoned by the man he loved, Benjamin Field, who was left Peter's house in his will.

This extraordinary documentary follows the inquiry by Thames Valley Police after doubts are raised about the cause of Peter Farquhar's death. Detectives interview family members, including Peter's brother, his friends and, after his arrest, Ben Field.

There are some difficult scenes filmed in a mortuary after Peter's body is exhumed as scientists seek traces of whatever had been used to kill a kind, gentle man who recorded his every feeling in his daily journals, which were to prove crucial in the subsequent trial. **ALISON GRAHAM**

### IN SEARCH OF ANSWERS

Ian Farquhar, whose brother, Peter, was murdered