



MONTGOMERY COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Cold Case Squad – Homicide

UNSOLVED COLD CASES

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Cold Case Squad was formed in 2006 and is staffed with one senior detective. Extensive research took place in order to establish the number of unsolved cold cases under the Sheriff's Office jurisdiction.

The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Cold Case Squad is responsible for all cold case investigations along with assisting MCSO detectives, County and District Attorneys, as well as other law enforcement agencies within Montgomery County and the State of Texas. The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Cold Case detective is progressive and forward-thinking, utilizing numerous resources, databases along with the use of county, state, and private laboratories and recently Parabon Snapshot – DNA Phenotyping. Cold Case detectives follow the course of events and the facts as they develop while maintaining old fashion police work ethics and the belief that all cold cases are solvable.

Anyone with information regarding a cold case is asked to contact Montgomery County Crime Stoppers at 1-800-392-STOP (7867) or www.montgomerycountycrimestoppers.org or contact the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office Cold Case Squad directly at 936-760-5820.

1957

Case # Unknown**Murder by Auto (Hit and Run) – William Archie Beeson****May 26, 1957 – 15000 Block of FM 1485, Conroe, Texas**

SYNOPSIS: On May 26, 1957, at approx. 6 am, Victim's, William Beeson (56 yoa), body was located in the 15000 block of FM 1485 on the South side of the roadway with obvious signs he had been struck by a vehicle. It is believed Beeson was walking in the direction of his home when he was struck and killed.

1972

Case # 72-1722**Murder of Marvin Eugene Sponseller****December 17, 1972 – 4800 Block of W Davis Street, Conroe, Texas**

Marvin Eugene Sponseller

SYNOPSIS: On December 17, 1972, at about 3:30 pm, a skull was found in the 4800 block of W Davis St, Conroe, Texas. On December 20, 1972, at about 11 am, deputies conducted a search of the nearby woods located the rest of skeleton. A billfold was found near the bones with a driver's license inside identifying the person as Victim, Marvin Sponseller (49 yoa). Marvin's identity was confirmed by dental records. An autopsy was performed and the cause of death was listed as Undetermined due to the lack of soft tissue remaining. The case is being investigated as a Murder.

1973

Case # 73-2329**Unidentified Human Remains****July 14, 1973 – 10000 Block of Shepard Hill Road, Willis, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On July 14, 1973, at approx. 11 am, a human arm was located in the 10000 block of Shepard Hill Rd, Willis, Texas in Bell Creek. The arm showed evidence of being cut off along with the fingertips of several fingers. No other body parts were located in the water.

1977

Case # 77-9296**Murder of Unidentified White Male****August 22, 1977 – 22000 Block of FM 1097, Montgomery, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On August 22, 1977, at approx. 9 am, a nude decomposing male body was located in the 22000 block of FM 1097, Montgomery, Texas on an iron ore road. The body showed evidence of a gunshot wound to the head. The body was taken for autopsy and is described as being a **White male 5'09", 125 to 140 pounds, light Brown hair 10" long, 17 to 25 years of age.** It is believed body had been there for at least two months.

1979

Case # 79-17360**Unidentified Human Remains****November 10, 1979 – 15000 Block of Pecan Drive, Conroe, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On November 10, 1979, at approx. 9:30 am, the top portion of a human skull was located in the San Jacinto River rock bed in 15000 block of Pecan Dr, Conroe, Texas. The top portion of the skull was taken to the Harris County Morgue where multiple doctors examined it and determined it to belong to a Black male younger than 50 years of age. There was no indications of trauma or cause of death. No other bones were located.

1980

Case # 80-2138**Murder of Barbara Gale Whitten****July 8, 1980 – Wooded Area, South of Roman Forest Boulevard, New Caney, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: At approximately 2:00 pm, a witness responded to the sight of smoke in the area of the scene. Upon arrival, the witness observed what appeared to be a log on fire and a 1976 – 1977 medium blue Chevrolet Nova parked nearby. The Nova had what appeared to be two navy blue racing stripes on the side. Two white males were observed closing the vehicle trunk and upon entering the car, the males fled on Roman Forest Blvd. MCSO Deputies responded and found that the fire involved a dead body of a black female. Two freshly dug shallow holes were located nearby. The victim was later identified by dental records as Barbara Gale Whitten (23 yoa) from Wipprecht Street in Houston, Texas. An autopsy revealed that she had been shot multiple times with a 22-caliber firearm.

In 1983, self-professed Serial Killer Henry Lee Lucas subsequently confessed to several murders in Montgomery County, along with approx. 600 murders elsewhere. Investigators in 1983 thought that Lucas might have been involved in Whitten's murder. Lucas died in prison in 2001, after his death sentence was commuted to life. Lucas had recanted his confessions and it is believed that he is not responsible for most of the crimes he confessed to.

1980

Case # 80-9160**Murder of Gerald Clifford Howard****October 17, 1980 – 7800 Block of Red Bay Circle, Magnolia, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On October 17, 1980, at approx. 6:40 pm, the dead body of an unidentified White male was discovered in the woods in the 7800 block of Red Bay Cir, Magnolia, Texas. The body had evidence of multiple gunshot wounds. There was blood on a carpet near the body and it is believed the body was transported to that location inside the carpet. On October 19, 1980 fingerprints were taken during the autopsy and taken to the Houston Police Department Homicide Division. The fingerprints were positively identified as Gerald Howard and his tattoos also matched from previous arrests.

1981

Case # 81-9665**Capital Murder of Richard Lee Davidson****June 18, 1981 – Wooded Area on Rathers Road, Spring, Texas***Richard Lee Davidson*

SYNOPSIS: On June 18, 1981, at approx. 2:27 PM, Montgomery County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) deputies received information about a dead body that was located at the end of Rathers Road. An AT&T worker was surveying the area and located the body of Richard Lee Davidson (39 yoa) in a wooded area of Rathers Road, Spring, Texas and a pickup truck registered to Davidson with the front left wheel missing and a large amount of dried blood in the bed of the truck. Davidson had been shot in the head and appeared to have been transported in the bed of the truck to that location. Davidson was last seen leaving his home in Houston, Texas on June 17, 1981 at approx. 7:00 PM.

1981

Case # 81-13591**Murder of Alton Francis Hanus****August 21, 1981 – Hwy 59 1/10 Mile North of Roman Forest, New Caney, Texas***Alton Francis Hanus*

SYNOPSIS: At approximately 9:15 pm, witnesses reporting seeing an orange 1979 Chevrolet truck parked on the northbound shoulder of Hwy 59 with a Chevrolet (possible brand), dark colored truck with a small camper shell, parked in front. The body of a male was observed lying on the roadway next to the orange truck as the truck with the camper shell drove away. A possible partial license plate for the truck leaving the scene was NV-220 or NV-120. MCSO Deputies responded and found the dead body of Alton Francis Hanus next to his truck. Hanus had been shot multiple times during what appeared to have been a robbery.

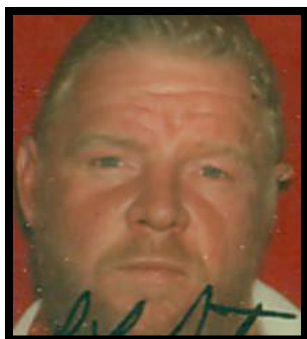
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Case # 81-20373**Murder of Kenneth Wayne Coogler****December 21, 1981 – East Hammond Drive, Porter, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: At approx. 9:47 am, MCSO Deputies responded to a death investigation in front of a residence on East Hammond Drive in Porter. The dead body of Kenneth Wayne Coogler (35 yoa), was found lying beside his brown dual wheeled truck on the driveway in front of the residence that he occupied. Coogler had been shot multiple times with a 22-caliber weapon. It appeared that Coogler had been preparing to leave for work when confronted by the unknown suspect(s). In 1983, Coogler's wallet was found near the Peach Creek Bridge on Hwy 59 in New Caney, Texas.

1981

Case # 81-20689**Murder of Harold Brantley Vick****December 26, 1981 – Inside the Summer Hill Subdivision located approximately two miles west of Sorters Road in Porter, Texas.**

Harold Brantley Vick

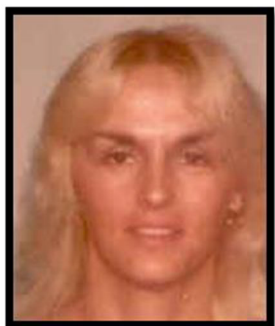
SYNOPSIS: Vick was 40 years of age, was a transient carpenter, and had been working in the Montgomery County area for a couple of weeks. On December 24, 1981, witnesses reported seeing Vick inside the Porter Lounge most of the day. On December 26, 1981, at approx. 6:11 pm, Vick's body was found along a dirt roadway, inside the newly opened Summer Hill Subdivision, which was under construction. Vick was lying on the ground beside his blue 1971 Ford truck, which had a tire stuck in the sand. Vick had been beaten to death, possibly with a large tree limb recovered nearby.

1982

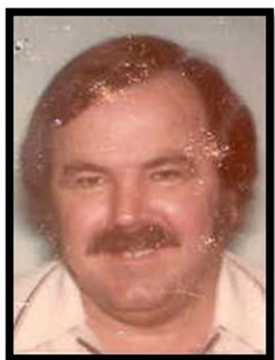
Case # 82-0455

Murder of Robert & Janet Genho

January 8, 1982 – 25 Huntsman's Horn, The Woodlands, Texas

*Janet Genho*

SYNOPSIS: Robert Genho (54) and his spouse, Janet Genho (38) were inside their residence when they answered the front door. The suspect(s) shot Robert Genho upon entering the home and then chased Janet Genho out onto the second story deck. While being pursued, Janet Genho managed to press the panic alarm button near the master bedroom. The suspect(s) shot and killed Janet Genho on the deck. The suspect(s) fled the scene and MCSO Deputies arrived minutes later. Upon checking the perimeter of the residence, blood was discovered dripping from the upper deck. Investigation revealed that Robert Genho had been involved in business dealings with several individuals, which had failed.

*Robert Genho*

1982

Case # 82-6215

Murder of James Alvin Goree

April 12, 1982 – 9000 Block of I-45 (at Tamina Road), Conroe, Texas

*James Alvin Goree*

SYNOPSIS: At approximately 8:00 pm, Goree was working on a car in front of a local paint & body shop where he had been employed. Goree was sitting partially inside the vehicle, attempting to start the car, while several other employees worked under the hood. Several shots were fired from a passing vehicle, which struck and killed Goree. No vehicle description was obtained by witnesses at the scene.

1982

Case # 82-18737

Murder of Gloria Ann Stepan

October 2, 1982 – Alford Road, Magnolia, Texas

*Gloria Ann Stepan*

SYNOPSIS: At approx. 4:00 pm, a resident found the body of an unidentified white female in “the gravel pit” located off Alford Road. Another resident had been by the same location and reported that the body was not present at that location at about 9:30 am, the same day. The victim had been strangled with a ligature and stabbed to death. Victim was positively identified by fingerprints as Gloria Ann Stepan, who was last seen at a convenience store in the 13000 block of Northshore in Houston, Texas on October 2, 1982, at about 12:00 pm. Stepan had been driving her light blue 1975 Plymouth station wagon. On October 3, 1982, at approx. 1:00 am, a Texas DPS Trooper found Stepan’s car abandoned along Hwy 290 in Kerrville, Texas. Self-professed Serial Killer, Henry Lee Lucas, subsequently confessed to the crime along with several others in Montgomery County in 1983. Lucas had confessed to approx. 600 murders, with about 200 cleared across the United States. Lucas died in prison in 2001, after his death sentence was commuted to life. Lucas had recanted his confessions and it is believed that he is not responsible for most of the crimes he confessed to.

1983

Case # 83-0937

Murder of Lee Leslie and Raymond Mitchell

January 15, 1983 – 27000 Block of Dry Creek, Magnolia, Texas

*Raymond Mitchell*

SYNOPSIS: Lee Leslie was 70 years of age and kept a country home in the 27000 block of Dry Creek. During this time, Leslie had a friend, Raymond Mitchell (57 yoa), staying with him for a short time. Both were known to befriend males in the Houston, Texas, area and allow the males to visit in Magnolia. On January 15, 1983, at approx. 3:00 am, a witness reporting hearing a disturbance and vehicles leaving from Lee’s residence. On January 15, 1983, at approx. 5:30 pm, a family member discovered a dead body inside Lee’s home. MCSO Deputies responded and found Lee in the closet of the northeast bedroom and Mitchell’s body was in a closet in the southeast bedroom. Both had been beaten and stabbed to death. Lee’s maroon 1978 Pontiac was missing from the scene. On February 8, 1983, Lee’s car was found abandoned in the 1900 block of Indiana Street in Houston. Investigation revealed that the car had been left at this location within a short time of the murders.

1983

Case # 83-6947

Murder of Laura Jean Doney

April 18, 1983 – FM 149 7 Miles North of Montgomery, Texas

*Laura Jean Doney*

SYNOPSIS: At approx. 1:00 pm, an oilfield worker observed a fire burning in a wooded area, near a logging road, approx. 400 yards west of FM 149. The dead body of an unidentified white female was found in the fire and MCSO Deputies were called. The fire had been set with what appeared to be a road flare and an autopsy revealed that she had been strangled. The victim was soon identified as Laura Jean Doney (16 yoa), who had last been seen walking away from her residence in the 3500 block of Raymond Street, Houston, Texas. Doney had reportedly left to buy a hamburger at a nearby restaurant.

Self-professed Serial Killer Henry Lee Lucas subsequently confessed to the crime, along with several others in Montgomery County, in 1983. Lucas had confessed to approx. 600 murders, with about 200 cleared across the United States. Lucas died in prison in 2001, after his death sentence was commuted to life. Lucas had recanted his confessions and it is believed that he is not responsible for most of the crimes he confessed to.

1983

Case # 83-8549

Murder of Unidentified White Female

May 13, 1983 – 76 Truck Stop Hwy 59 at FM 1485 New Caney, Texas



SYNOPSIS: At approx. 7:35 am, MCSO Deputies responded to a wooded area behind the 76 Truck Stop where schoolchildren had found the decomposing body of an unidentified white female. The location of the body was positioned in an area where tractor-trailers normally parked. An autopsy revealed that she had been killed by two blows to the head, which resulted in skull fractures. The victim was described as follows: **15– 22 yoa, 59” in height, with a decomposed weight of 78 lbs. Complainant had dark brown hair that was about seven inches in length. She was wearing “Shades” designer blue jeans, a tan “Wrangler” long-sleeve terry cloth t-shirt, and white panties.**

UPDATE: In 2008, MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted potential known DNA from victim’s remains to be entered into the Missing / Unidentified Persons DNA database. To date, insufficient DNA has been obtained in order to enter a profile into CODIS.

1983

Case # 83-9745

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Kenneth Dewayne “Shorty” Stott

September 17, 1983 – Porter, Texas



*Kenneth Dewayne
“Shorty” Stott*

SYNOPSIS: On October 3, 1983, an MCSO Deputy was contacted by the mother of Kenneth Dewayne “Shorty” Stott (21 yoa), who reported that Stott had been missing since September 17, 1983. Stott was known to have last been seen at the Porter Lounge (Bar) in Porter, Texas, leaving with two unknown males in a yellow Ford Maverick. Stott reportedly had approximately \$240.00 in cash with him and was said to be enroute to Humble, Texas to pay down on a truck. Stott’s own car was found abandoned at the Porter Lounge days later. It has been rumored since 1983 that Stott was murdered and buried in the East Montgomery County area.

Stott is identified as follows: **W/M, DOB- 01/25/1962, 21 - age when reported missing, 5’08”, 145 lbs, Blonde / Blue, Place of Birth: Pineville, LA., Last seen on 09/17/1983 in Porter, Texas. Acne on face and back, last seen wearing white & black tennis shoes, and plaid shirt. Last known address – Rt. 2 Box 3112 Porter, Texas. NIC# M657401363.** DNA has been collected from family members and uploaded into the DNA database known as CODIS.

1983

Case # 83-20814

Murder of Stanley Lang Common

November 14, 1983 – Hwy 59 and Northpark Drive, Kingwood, Texas



Stanley Lang Common

SYNOPSIS: On November 13, 1983, at approx. 10:00 pm, Victim, Stanley Lang Common (25 yoa), left his residence on Ashmole Street in Houston, Texas, telling his girlfriend that he was restless and was going out. On November 14, 1983, at approx. 8:00 am, an employee working on fire hydrant drains found the dead body of Common lying in a partially cleared field off Northpark Drive at Hwy 59 in Kingwood, Texas. Common had been shot multiple times and his car was missing. Common’s vehicle was subsequently found parked in the 1000 block of Webster Street in Houston. The car had been at that location since December 5, 1983, at which time a parking ticket had been issued.

1984

Case # 10A013070**Missing Person (Foul Play) – George H. “Bud” Sager Jr.****June 7, 1984 – 1100 West Dallas, Conroe, Texas***George H. “Bud” Sager Jr.*

SYNOPSIS: On June 7, 1984, Sager (30 yoa) withdrew money from his bank near IH-45 and Spring Cypress Road, Spring, Texas. This was the last time that he was known to have been seen alive. On July 3, 1984, Sager’s truck was found abandoned on the parking lot of the Crossroads Shopping Center located at 1100 West Dallas, Conroe. Foul play was suspected at the time and Sager was never heard from again.

SOLVED (MISSING PERSON): In 2010, MCSO Cold Case Detectives obtained DNA from Sager’s family members for upload into the DNA database known as CODIS. In 2011, a DNA match occurred with a skull found in Walker County, Texas. Investigation revealed that on December 18, 1989, an individual picking up aluminum cans along FM 1375, approximately 9/10 of a mile west of IH-45 (New Waverly area), discovered the skull on the side of the roadway. The skull was found to contain a short handwritten note stating that an unknown individual had found the skull in the woods, but could not get involved. It appeared that the author of the note had moved the skull from the woods and placed it along the shoulder of the road where it might be discovered.

1984

Case # 84-12718**Murder of Kristine Ann Budde****June 21, 1984 – Riverbrook Drive, Forest Hills Subdivision, Conroe, Texas***Kristine Ann Budde*

SYNOPSIS: Kristine Budde (19 yoa) was reportedly last seen on June 21, 1984, at approx. 12:15 am, sitting on the parking lot of the Inverness Apartment complex located at 403 Longmire Road, Conroe, Texas. At approx. 2:00 am, same date, a MCSO Deputy was flagged down on I-45 at FM 1488 and alerted to what was thought to be a body in the roadway.

The Deputy responded and found the dead body of Budde lying in the roadway. The subsequent investigation and subsequent autopsy revealed that she had died from being struck by a vehicle. Evidence at the scene indicated that the striking vehicle turned around and re-approached Budde’s body prior to fleeing the scene.

1984

Case # 84-24050

Murder of Robert William Hope

November 8, 1984 – 1800 Block of North Park, Kingwood, Texas



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SYNOPSIS: On November 8, 1984, at approx. 2:00 pm, a Montgomery County Deputy Constable arrived at the residence of Robert William Hope (32 yoa) located in the 1800 block of North Park, Kingwood, Texas. The Deputy was attempting to serve Hope with a civil paper. While trying to make contact, the Deputy observed a body on the kitchen floor. Upon investigation, the dead body was positively identified as being Robert Hope, who was found lying face down with multiple gunshot wounds.

1985

Case # 85-10968

Murder of Jodie William James

May 13, 1985 – I-45 ¼ Mile North of Teas Road, Conroe, Texas



Jodie William James

SYNOPSIS: On May 13, 1985, at approx. 5:30 pm, Jodie William James (54 yoa) was operating a tractor-trailer and had parked on the shoulder of I-45 (southbound) at Teas Road in order to make repairs. Witnesses driving by observed James lying on the ground next to his truck and waiving one arm. James had been shot by the suspect(s), who had fled the scene. On May 14, 1985, James' wallet was found along Hwy 105 West, just west of Loop 336 (toward Montgomery). James' credit cards, checks, and pictures were found along the same roadway, but farther west. Robbery appears to be a motive for the murder.

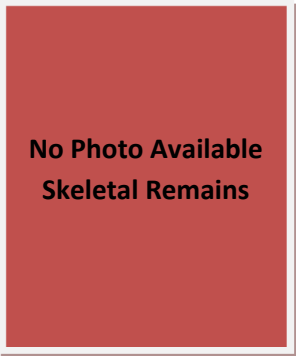


1985

Case # 85-12807

Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains

June 8, 1985 – Cimarron Country Subdivision, Magnolia, Texas



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Skeletal Remains

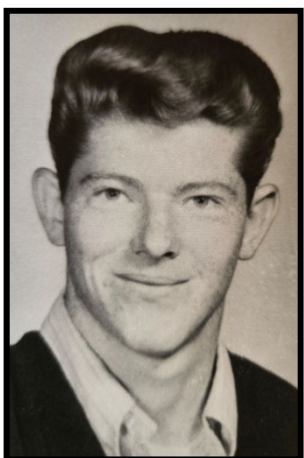
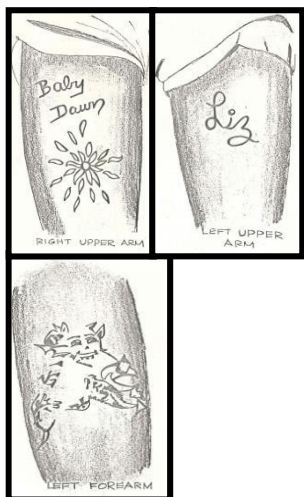
SYNOPSIS: On June 8, 1985, a property owner was working on his 10- acre tract of land when he discovered what appeared to be human skeletal remains. The property was located within the Cimarron Country Subdivision in Magnolia, Texas. MCSO Deputies responded and collected additional skeletal remains, which were subsequently examined by experts. The following possible description was obtained: **Probably a white male, 20 – 40 yoa, and 5’03” to 5’04” in height.**

1986

Case # 86-19394

Murder of Unidentified White Male

August 3, 1986 – Crater Lake, off Crater Road, FM 3083, Conroe, Texas



SYNOPSIS: On August 3, 1986, at approx. 5:00 pm, several citizens were at Crater Lake reminiscing about their “old hangout” when they observed what appeared to be a body in the water. MCSO Deputies responded, along with the local fire department. The body was removed from the lake utilizing a boat and it was discovered that the body had been weighted down with two cement cinder blocks that were attached to the body with an electrical cord. An autopsy revealed that the unidentified male had died from multiple gunshot wounds.

The body has never been identified and his described as follows: **Possible street name of “New York Billy” Male / White, 20-30 years of age, 5’06 (approx.), 133 lbs, Small Build, Collar length Brown / Reddish hair, Decaying teeth (See dental chart - #9 & #11 heavy decay, #10 partially missing from decay. Wisdom teeth #1, #16, & #32 were surgically removed (absent). Wisdom tooth #17 was present), Tattoos - Left lower arm – professional design of small devil with painted tail, Left upper arm – poor quality design of name “Liz”, Right upper arm – poor quality design of name “Baby Dawn”, Left ear lobe pierced, Clothing worn - Levis men’s denim blue jeans size 30 waist, 31 length, in good condition, brown short sleeve shirt button type, double open type pockets, and squaretail. Label inside collar had M-SS, 8-0178-25, “Wilson” written on it. Men’s white heavy athletic type socks.**

UPDATE: In 2023, MCSO Cold Case Detective had the remains exhumed again and taken to Othram Lab who were successful in obtaining DNA for Forensic Investigative Genetic Genealogy (FIGG). Othram Lab proceeded with FIGG and a possible family relative was located in California where local law enforcement assisted in obtaining a voluntary DNA sample for testing. The Unidentified remains were positively identified as Clarence Lynn Wilson who had a last known address in Texas City, Texas. Clarence was never reported as a missing person.

1986

Case # 86-24419

Murder of Deanna Lynn Ogg

September 27, 1986 – 17000 Block of Old Houston Road, Conroe, Texas

*Deanna Lynn Ogg*

SYNOPSIS: Deanna Lynn Ogg was 16 years of age and resided on Comanche Street in the Holly Ridge Subdivision of Porter, Texas. Ogg had attended the newly constructed New Caney High School. On September 27, 1986, at approx. 5:00 pm, Ogg walked from her residence in order to locate transportation to a gathering with family. A short time later, Ogg was observed alone at a convenience store located on FM 1314 at Sorters Road, Porter. At approx. 7:00 pm, the same date, Ogg's dead body was found in a heavily wooded area, off a logging road, in the 17000 block of Old Houston Road. This location was about 7 miles from where she was last seen at the store. Ogg had been sexually assaulted, beaten, and stabbed to death. A subject was convicted of a crime related to Ogg's death, but was exonerated by DNA testing when the technology became available. The DNA belonging to Ogg's killer has not been linked to anyone to date.

1986

Case # 86-31239

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Rita Mae Hughes

December 8, 1986 – Magnolia / Houston, Texas

*Rita Mae Hughes*

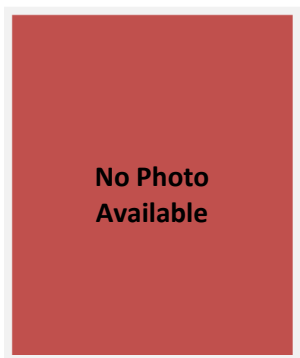
SYNOPSIS: On or about December 8, 1986, Rita Hughes' husband reportedly took her to the bus station in Houston, Texas for a trip to see relatives in Louisiana. Family in Louisiana stated that Hughes never arrived. Hughes has not been seen or heard from since. Foul play is suspected. Hughes is identified as follows: **White female, DOB- 11/3/1957, 5'05", 115 lbs, Brown / Blue, last known address in Magnolia, Texas, NIC# M270519742.**

UPDATE: In 2004, MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted DNA from family members to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS).

1987

Case # 87-12741**Murder of Alexander Legro-Belacasal**

May 21, 1987 – Woodbranch, New Caney, Texas



SYNOPSIS: On May 21, 1987, gas pipeline employees found a dead body in a drainage ditch in an undeveloped section of Woodbranch off Hwy 59 near New Caney, Texas. The victim was later identified as Alexander Legro-Belacasal (21 yoa) from Houston, Texas. Legro-Belacasal had been bound, stabbed, shot, and burned.

1987

Case # 87-32100**Murder of Jasbir Singh**

November 30, 1987 – 32000 Block of FM 149, Pinehurst, Texas

*Jasbir Singh*

SYNOPSIS: Jasbir Singh was 33 years of age and had been employed for several months at “Tubular Protection of America” (TPA) located in the 32000 block of FM 149 in Pinehurst, Texas (Montgomery County). TPA was a commercial oil tool plant that made thread protectors out of polyurethane for the oil industry. On November 30, 1987, Singh was on the premises and was acting in the capacity of a night watchman due to recent burglaries / thefts. Between 1:00 am and 3:00 am, November 30, 1987, Singh phoned his employer and reported having seen intruders inside the building, but they had left. Singh was to speak with his fiancé by phone at approx. 2:00 am that night, but never answered her calls. On November 30, 1987, at approx. 6:30 am, TPA employees arriving for work found Singh lying on the floor of the shop area, barely alive.



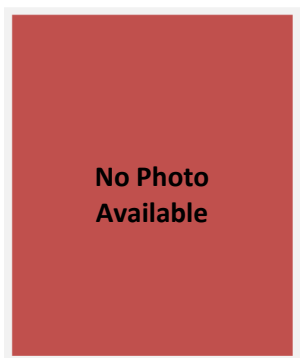
MCSO Deputies responded, along with EMS, but Singh died in the shop a few minutes prior to arrival. Singh had been struck with an object numerous times and then stabbed to death. A business type telephone and an electronic scale (photo on left) had been stolen from the shop.

1988

Case # 88-01492

Murder of Daphne Darlene Browne

January 17, 1988 – Rainforest Road at Penguin Road, Clear Creek Subdivision, Magnolia, Texas



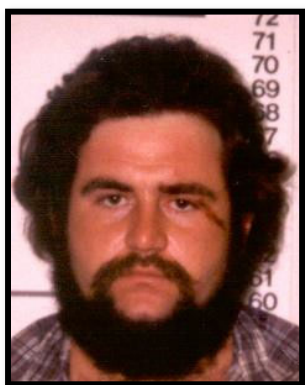
SYNOPSIS: Daphne Darlene Brown was 32 years of age and resided with her husband in the 16000 block of Burklin Street in Magnolia, Texas. On January 16, 1988, at approx. 6:00 pm, Daphne Browne met a female friend on Cherry Park Way in Houston, Texas to play bingo. At approx. 10:30 pm, same date, Daphne Browne departed the bingo hall enroute home. On January 17, 1988, at approx. 8:45 am, Daphne Browne’s husband reported her as Missing to the MCSO. On January 17, 1988, at approx. 2:20 pm, a resident of the Clear Creek Subdivision observed Daphne Browne’s brown 1983 Chevrolet Suburban parked at the end of Rainforest Road at Penguin Street in Magnolia. Daphne Browne’s dead body was discovered inside the rear of the vehicle and it appeared that she had been strangled with a “bungee” type cord. MCSO Cold Case Detectives recently had DNA testing conducted in this case.

1988

Case # 88-24419

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Darrell Wayne Cade

March 22, 1988 – FM 1484, Conroe, Texas

*Darrell Wayne Cade*

SYNOPSIS: On March 22, 1988, Darrell Wayne Cade (24 yoa) left with associates. The associates later told family members that they had dropped Cade off, at his request, at the Montgomery County Fairgrounds located on FM 1484 outside of Conroe, Texas. Cade has never been seen or heard from again. Foul play is suspected. Cade is identified as follows: **White male, DOB- 07/04/1963, age when reported missing, 24, 5’09”, 200 lbs, Brown / Brown, mustache and beard, Place of Birth: Texas, Tattoo – “Love Star” w/ star, Occupation – Mechanic, Last known address – Chambers Street Conroe, Texas. NIC# M292246858.**

SOLVED (MISSING PERSON): In 2008, MCSO Cold Case Detectives collected DNA from family members for submission into the DNA database known as CODIS. In 2010, a DNA match occurred between DNA submitted for Cade and skeletal remains under MCSO case # 89-36336 (Texaba Subdivision / NIC# U890023461). The human remains were subsequently positively identified as belonging to Cade.

1988

Case # 88-16504**Murder of Leon Slider****June 2, 1988 – Creekwood Drive, Splendora, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On June 2, 1988, the dead body of Leon Slider (60 yoa) was discovered by citizens out for a walk along Creekwood Drive in Splendora. Slider lived in Houston and was employed as a security guard. Slider had been beaten to death and was identified through fingerprints.

On June 3, 1988, Slider's car was found on the parking lot of the "Cleme Manor Apartments" in the 5300 block of Coke Street, Houston, Texas. The car had been stripped and contained a large amount of blood on the backseat.

1989

Case # 89-10508**Murder of Valente M. Gracia****April 5, 1989 – Bee Creek Road, Willis, Texas**

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SYNOPSIS: On April 5, 1989, the dead body of a white male was found along the roadway on Bee Creek Road, in Willis, Texas. The victim had been shot numerous times at that location. Victim was later positively identified as Valente M. Gracia (37 yoa) from Houston, Texas.

1991

Case # 9111100217

Murder of Beverly Sue Demler

November 10, 1991 – FM 1488, ½ Mile West of I-45, Conroe, Texas

*Beverly Sue Demler*

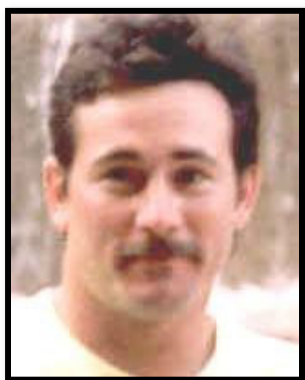
SYNOPSIS: On November 10, 1991, a citizen who was engaged in hunting discovered human skeletal remains on a wooded piece of property along FM 1488 approx. ½ mile west of I-45 in Conroe, Texas. MCSO Deputies responded and collected additional skeletal remains. Expert examination revealed that the subject had died from blunt force trauma to the head. In 2001, Texas DPS Special Crimes linked the remains to those of Beverly Sue Demler (34 yoa), who had been reported missing by her family on March 20, 1990, in Harris County, Texas. Demler was positively identified by dental records.

1992

Case # 9207150218

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Darrell Glen Calhoun & Michael Keith Beaudoin

July 14, 1992 – 11187 FM 1484 Conroe, Texas

*Darrell Glen Calhoun*

SYNOPSIS: On July 14, 1992, Calhoun and Beaudoin went enroute to meet an individual at Salty's Bar located at 11187 FM 1484, Conroe, Texas, in order to sell marijuana. Calhoun and Beaudoin were driving their 1979 grey Chevrolet Suburban and were pulling a box type trailer. On July 19, 1992, the suburban and trailer were found "chopped" (cut into pieces) along FM 1725 and Dabney Bottom Road in San Jacinto County (Texas). Calhoun and Beaudoin have never been seen or heard from again.

They are described as follows: **CALHOUN, DARRELL GLEN W/M, DOB- 08/25/1956, 5'06", 160 lbs, Brown / Brown. / BEAUDOIN, MICHAEL KEITH W/M, DOB- 07/04/1961, 5'11", 165 lbs, Brown / Brown.**

*Michael Keith Beaudoin*

UPDATE: MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted DNA from family members to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS).

1993

Case # 9301260397

Murder of Dana K. Empringham

January 26, 1993 – 26000 Block of Maplewood, Spring, Texas



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SYNOPSIS: Dana K. Empringham was 63 years of age at the time of his death and was widowed. He utilized a wheelchair to get around due to an old leg wound, but was not totally confined to the wheelchair.

Empringham resided in the 26000 block of Maplewood in Spring, Montgomery County, Texas where he also operated a gun shop from his home. The gun shop was named “DKE Enterprises Inc.” On January 26, 1993, at approx. 8:50 pm, a neighbor heard gunshots and observed a male running from Empringham’s home to a brown Mercury Cougar type vehicle. The car left with its headlights off. Responding MCSO Deputies found Empringham on the floor in front of his wheelchair and he had been shot to death during an apparent robbery.

1993

Case # 9307010011

Murder of Martin Landin Sosa

July 1, 1993 – 32000 Block of Dobbin-Huffsmith, Magnolia, Texas



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SYNOPSIS: On July 1, 1993, the dead body of Martin Landin Sosa (23 yoa) was found in a ditch in the 32000 block of Dobbin-Huffsmith, Magnolia, Texas. Sosa had been shot and mutilated prior to being transported to this location.

1993

Case # 93A011113**Missing Person (Foul Play) – Jane McDonald Crone****November 12, 1993 – Decision Street, Roberts Cemetery Road, Magnolia, Texas***Jane McDonald Crone*

SYNOPSIS: Jane McDonald Crone was 34 years of age when she was reported as Missing. Crone resided with her husband and children off Nichols Sawmill Road in Magnolia (Hockley), Texas and she was employed by Baker-Hughes in Houston, Texas. On November 12, 1993, Crone reportedly visited the City Limits Club, Willie's Night Life Club, and Twigs Club in northwest Harris County. On November 15, 1993, Crone's husband reported her as a Missing Person. On November 19, 1993, Crone's blue 1982 Ford Mustang was found abandoned on Decision Street near the intersection of Robert's Cemetery Road in Harris County, Texas. A work crew in the area reported seeing the car at this location on November 13, 1993, at about 7:00 am. Crone has not been seen or heard from since.

UPDATE: In 2009, MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted DNA from family members to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS).

1994

Case # 94A012364**Murder of Martin Paul Dougherty****October 15, 1994 – 11000 Block of Clint Parker Road, Willis, Texas***Martin Paul Dougherty*

SYNOPSIS: Victim, Martin Paul Dougherty, was 40 years of age, lived alone, and resided in a rented mobile home on Wooded Oak in Willis, Texas. On October 2, 1994, Dougherty assisted a friend with land clearing in the 11000 block of Clint Parker Road in Willis, Texas. Dougherty was reportedly dropped off back at his mobile home on Wooded Oak at around 2:00 pm, same day. On October 15, 1994, citizens who were looking for land to purchase began walking the property in the 11000 block of Clint Parker Road to determine if it met their needs. The decomposed remains of Martin Dougherty's body were discovered in the heavy brush. Investigation revealed that this was the same piece of land that Dougherty had assisted his friend in clearing on October 2, 1994. An autopsy revealed that Dougherty had been shot several times. Robbery may have been a motive since Dougherty's wallet and jewelry were never found.

1994

Case # 94A014859

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Dudley Truett Scott

December 16, 1994 – 2000 Block of Creekwood Drive, Splendora, Texas

*Dudley Truett Scott*

SYNOPSIS: On December 16, 1994, Dudley Truett Scott (52 yoa) walked off into a wooded area in the 2000 block of Creekwood Drive, Splendora, Texas. Scott was not seen or heard from again. Scott has Downs Syndrome and takes medications, which when not taken, may cause disorientation and seizures. His description is as follows: **White male, 5'0", 140 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, last seen wearing blue boxer shorts, blue short sleeved coveralls, and brown lace up boots. He carries with him a homemade identification card, two wallets, and a red Swiss Army knife.**

UPDATE: MCSO Detectives submitted DNA from family members to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS). **NIC# M7933356998**

1995

Case # 95A010736

Murder of John & Pansy Stewart

August 15, 1995 – 1100 Block of Foster Drive, Conroe, Texas

*John & Pansy Stewart*

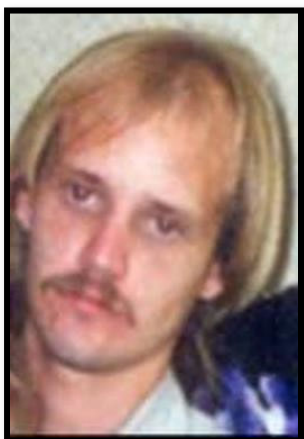
SYNOPSIS: Victims, John Marshall Stewart Sr. (78 yoa) and Pansy Lucille Stewart (74 yoa), were married and had resided in the 1100 block of Foster Drive in Conroe for a number of years. On August 22, 1995, a family member responded to the residence to check on the victims. The dead bodies of John and Pansy Stewart were found in the living room area of the home. Autopsies revealed that both had been shot multiple times. The residence had been ransacked and a number of items were found to be missing, including a man's two tone gold Rolex watch, a 40-caliber handgun, a Remington model 742 semi-auto 30.06 rifle, a C.V.A. 31-caliber black powder handgun, a man's white metal ring designed with a Mobil Oil emblem (red flying horse), and assorted women's jewelry. Based on evidence at the scene, it appeared that the Homicides occurred on the morning of Tuesday, August 15, 1995.

1996

Case # 96A006101

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Donny Lynn Allen

February 11, 1995 – Richards, Montgomery County, Texas



Donny Lynn Allen

SYNOPSIS: On February 11, 1995, Donny Lynn Allen (22 yoa) left work and had borrowed his boss's truck to buy cigarettes. Witnesses later reported seeing Allen in the truck with two black males, and inside a nightclub in the Montgomery, Texas area. On February 15, 1995, the truck that Allen had been driving was found abandoned on CR 234 off FM 1486 in Grimes County, Texas. Allen was reported as a Missing Person in 1996.

SOLVED (MISSING PERSON): On April 11, 2008, human remains were discovered by loggers in a heavily wooded area approx. five miles from where the truck Allen had been driving was found abandoned in 1995. Subsequent DNA testing positively identified the remains as belonging to Donny Lynn Allen.

1997

Case # 97A012812

Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains

September 20, 1997 – 3400 Block of Riley Fuzzel Road, Spring, Texas

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Skeletal Remains

SYNOPSIS: On September 20, 1997, a citizen was making a trail for a deer stand in a wooded area in the 3400 block of Riley Fuzzel Road, approx. 1.5 miles north of Rayford Road. The citizen observed a human skull and notified the MCSO. Deputies investigated and recovered additional human remains. Examination by experts revealed that the skull contained a bullet hole. A probable description was obtained: **Possibly a white male, greater than 30 years of age.**

UPDATE: MCSO Cold Case Detectives have submitted the remains for DNA testing and submission to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS). DNA was subsequently obtained and uploaded.

1997

Case # 97A016936**Missing Person (Foul Play) – Michelle Prasek****December 19, 1997 – Valerie Lane, Spring, Texas**

SYNOPSIS: On December 19, 1997, Michelle Prasek (12 yoa) was last seen at her residence on Valerie Lane in Spring, Montgomery County, Texas. On December 20, 1997, Prasek was reported as a Missing Person and items missing from the home included an orange Tabby cat and a blanket. Prasek is described as follows: **White female, 5'03", 135 lbs, Blonde hair / Blue eyes, birthmark on the palm of her hand.**

UPDATE: In 2005, MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted DNA from family members to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database (CODIS). NIC# **M084467461**

**AGE PROGRESSED***Michelle Prasek*

1998

Case # 98A001270**Missing Person (Foul Play) – Toby Ray Coleman****August 25, 1997 – New Caney, Texas***Toby Ray Coleman*

SYNOPSIS: On or about August 25, 1997, Toby Ray Coleman (18 yoa) was last seen by family members in the New Caney, Texas area. Coleman has not been seen or heard from again. Foul play is suspected. Coleman is described as follows: **White male, 6'03", 210 lbs, brown hair, blue eyes, nickname of "Kutekenta", NIC# M500492012.**

UPDATE: In 2012, MCSO Cold Case Detectives collected DNA from family members and uploaded the samples into the DNA database known as CODIS.

1998

Case # 98A008113

Unidentified Human Skeletal Remains

June 11, 1998 – 600 Block of Airline Drive, Conroe, Texas



SYNOPSIS: On June 11, 1998, a citizen was walking in a wooded area behind his home in the 600 block of Airline Drive (Conroe, Texas) when he observed what appeared to be the top portion of a skull protruding from the ground. MCSO Deputies investigated and recovered additional skeletal remains, along with a blue or black ball cap with a “Lone Star Feed” logo.

UPDATE: In 2009, MCSO Cold Case Detectives submitted the remains for DNA testing and submission to the Missing Persons / Unidentified DNA database known as CODIS. DNA testing revealed the remains belong to a **FEMALE**. (NIC# U790019671). DNA has been uploaded. Facial approximation was subsequently completed.

2000

Case # 00A016076

Murder of Victoria Deann Sunday (Bruton)

March 24, 1999 – 9000 Block of FM 149, Montgomery, Texas



*Victoria Deann Sunday
(Bruton)*

SYNOPSIS: On March 24, 1999, Victim, Victoria “Vicky” Deann Sunday (Bruton / 35 yoa) left her residence in the 24000 block of Bailey Grove Road, Montgomery, Texas, enroute to a store in Dacus, Texas.

On April 22, 1999, Victoria Sunday’s daughter reporting her as a Missing Person. On October 10, 2000, a child playing in a wooded area in the 9000 block of FM 149 (area of Keenan Cut Off Road), Montgomery, Texas, found a human skull. MCSO Deputies responded and recovered additional skeletal human remains. Dental records were utilized to positively identify the remains as belonging to Sunday. Based on the investigation that followed, this case is believed to be a homicide.

2001

Case # 01A001834

Murder of John David McGoldrick

February 1, 2001 – 8000 Block of South Williams Road, Willis, Texas

*John David McGoldrick*

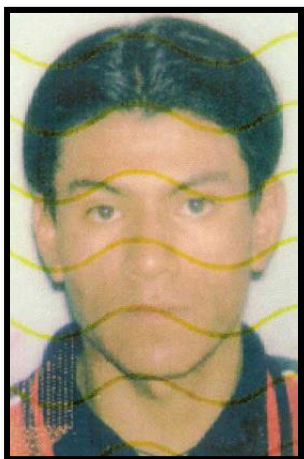
SYNOPSIS: On February 1, 2001, Victim, John David McGoldrick (27 yoa), attended a gambling event near the city of Willis, Texas. McGoldrick reportedly won during the event. McGoldrick and a friend then traveled to a residence in the 8000 block of South Williams Road, Willis, where they played pool, along with several other associates. At approx. 10:00 pm, same date, vehicle lights were observed approaching the residence. A number of male suspects began yelling outside and demanded entry, at which point several shots were fired through a closed door and window. One of the bullets struck and killed McGoldrick. The suspects entered the home where they searched and removed cash. The suspects fled in at least two vehicles.

2001

Case # 01A004552

Murder of Juan Carlos Luna-Perez

March 23, 2001 – 5000 Block of Sorters-McClelland Road, Porter, Texas

*Juan Carlos Luna-Perez*

SYNOPSIS: On March 23, 2001, at approx. 6:30 am, citizens driving to work observed the body of a Hispanic male lying in the ditch in the 5000 block of Sorters-McClelland Road in Porter, Texas. MCSO Deputies responded and identified the dead body as being Juan Carlos Luna-Perez (20 yoa) of Mexico. An autopsy determined that he had been beaten to death. Investigation revealed that Luna-Perez had crossed the border illegally on March 20, 2001, with approx. 30 other people. Once in the United States, Luna-Perez and others were kept at a residence in New Caney, Texas, until Luna-Perez began to complain about being ill. A suspect advised that he was taking Luna-Perez to the hospital and left in a red Chevrolet S-10 Blazer. Luna-Perez was not seen again until his body was discovered.

2001

Case # 01A021454

Murder of Roger Dale Swinner

December 14, 2001 – 16000 Block of I-45 (Shephard Hill Road), Willis, Texas

*Roger Dale Swinner*

SYNOPSIS: On December 14, 2001, at approx. 2:15 pm, Victim, Roger Dale Swinner (21 yoa) was driving his red 1992 Ford Semi- Tractor northbound in the 16000 block of I-45 (at Shephard Hill Road) in Willis, Texas. Swinner was pulling one-half of a doublewide mobile home and a second truck driver followed with the other half. Swinner's truck swerved off the roadway and onto the grass median where it came to a stop. The second driver stopped to check on Swinner and found him slumped over on the passenger seat. MCSO Deputies responded and it was determined that Swinner had been shot twice with a 22-caliber firearm and died shortly after. Investigation revealed that the shots had been fired from an unknown passing vehicle.



2002

Case # 02A007347

Murder of Willie Ortega Deanda

April 28, 2002 – 11000 Block of Crockett Martin Road, Conroe, Texas

*Willie Ortega Deanda*

SYNOPSIS: On April 28, 2002, at approx. 10:30 pm, the spouse of Willie Ortega Deanda (81 yoa) reported that the unknown suspect(s) entered their residence in the 11000 block of Crockett Martin Road (Conroe, Texas). Willie Deanda went to investigate and was shot three times with a 22-caliber firearm while standing in the bedroom doorway. Deanda died from his wounds before first responders could arrive. The spouse advised that she never saw the suspect(s).

2002

Case # 02A011820**Murder of Jose Tomas Espinosa**

July 5, 2002 – 800 Block of Russell Palmer Drive, Kingwood, Texas

*Jose Tomas Espinosa*

SYNOPSIS: On July 5, 2002, at approx. 9:15 pm, Victim, Jose Tomas Espinosa, was inside his residence in Kingwood and received a phone call from a payphone located nearby. Espinosa drove to a parking lot in the 800 block of Russell Palmer Drive (Kingwood, Texas) where he was subsequently shot multiple times by an unknown suspect. Witnesses observed a dark colored four-door sedan on the parking lot next to a white van. Espinosa reportedly exited the driver's side of the white van, and a passenger got out of the dark colored sedan. The suspect from the sedan shot at Espinosa and Espinosa started running away until Espinosa tripped and fell onto the ground. The suspect then ran up to Espinosa and punched him one time. Espinosa and the suspect began yelling at each other and the suspect shot Espinosa multiple times, killing him. The suspect checked Espinosa's pockets and then returned to the dark colored sedan and gave something to the back seat passenger. Both vehicles left the parking lot traveling north on Russell Palmer Drive. A composite drawing of the suspect was completed.

2002

Case # 02A012564**Murder of Marcos Mena**

July 17, 2002 – 11000 Block of League Line Rd, Conroe, Texas

*Marcos Mena*

SYNOPSIS: On July 17, 2002, at approx. 7:00 am, a citizen driving in the 11000 block of League Line Road (at Longmire Street) observed what appeared to be a body in the ditch. MCSO Deputies responded and found that it was the dead body of a Hispanic male. An autopsy revealed that the male had been beaten to death. Victim, Marcos Mena (29 yoa), was later linked to the body by fingerprints. Mena had left his residence on Witte Road in Houston, Texas, on July 15, 2002, at approx. 7:00 pm enroute to an ex-girlfriend's house. Mena was driving his light blue 1996 Ford F-150 truck when he left the residence on Witte Road and he was reportedly alone. On July 23, 2002, Mena's truck was found abandoned at the Hurricane Ballroom in the 100 block of West Dyna Street in Houston.

2003

Case # 03A046210

Murder of Magaly Vilchis Mendoza

September 22, 2003 – 14000 Block of Hwy 75 (Calvary Rd), Willis, Texas

*Magaly Mendoza*

SYNOPSIS: On September 22, 2003, a decomposed body of a female child was found in the 14000 block of Hwy 75, just north of Calvary Road, in Willis, Texas. Duct tape had been utilized to bind the unidentified victim. Investigation linked the dead body to the Victim, Magaly Vilchis Mendoza (16 yoa), who had been last seen on Hartford Street in Houston, Texas. On September 9, 2003, the Houston Police Department had found a dead body in the 500 block of Fennell Street in Houston. The body was later identified as being Rocio Cruz, half-sister of Magaly Mendoza and spouse of Freddy Jaime Cruz.

UPDATE: In 2008, MCSO Cold Case Detectives obtained an arrest warrant for the suspect, Freddy Jaime Cruz, for the murder of Magaly Mendoza. The Houston Police Department has also charged Freddy Cruz with the murder of Rocio Cruz. Freddy Cruz has fled the area and is in possession of Rocio Cruz's children, Raul Cruz, and Freddy Cruz Jr. Freddy Cruz is possibly living in Mexico.

*Suspect Freddy Jaime Cruz**Rocio Cruz**Rocio's Children*

2005

Case # 05A002565

Murder of Darcus Mashelle Penrice

February 13, 2005 – Crater Hill Road (FM 3083), Conroe, Texas

*Darcus Mashelle Penrice*

SYNOPSIS: On February 13, 2005, at approximately 12:45 pm, MCSO Deputies responded to Crater Hill Road (FM 3083, Conroe, Texas) regarding a body in the ditch. The dead body of an African-American female was found and she had been stabbed multiple times. The body was positively identified as being Darcus Mashelle Penrice (26 yoa) of Conroe. The subsequent investigation revealed information that Penrice was last seen in the early morning hours of Sunday, February 13, 2005, in the area of Mill Street at Main Street in the City of Conroe. Penrice may have entered a vehicle at this location. Her body had been found approximately 8 miles from the spot where she was last seen. It is believed that the place where her body was found was not the scene where she was killed. One witness reported seeing a dark green car with four doors, dark tinted windows, clean in appearance, with a normal sounding exhaust. The car could have been a Ford Taurus or a Ford Contour. Another witness reported seeing a small red truck in the area. In both instances, witnesses reported that the vehicles were being driven by light skinned, possibly Hispanic males.

2006

Case # 06A006977

Murder of Andry Key Gonzalez-Gonzalez

May 4, 2006 – Albert Moorehead Road, Conroe, Texas

*Andry Key
Gonzalez-Gonzalez*

SYNOPSIS: On May 4, 2006, at approx. 10:26 am, the dead body of the Victim, Andry Key Gonzalez-Gonzalez, was found along the side of the roadway off Albert Moorehead Road, approx. 2.2 miles south of FM 3083, in Conroe, Texas. Victim was clothed in a blue t-shirt, blue jeans, blue boxers and tennis type shoes. Investigation led to a positive identification and an autopsy revealed that Victim had died from a severe beating.

Gonzalez had crossed the border from Mexico into the United States on April 30, 2006. Information obtained during the investigation revealed that Gonzalez was probably killed by human smugglers.

2007

Case # 07A012779

Murder of Diana “Lori” Walker Killebrew

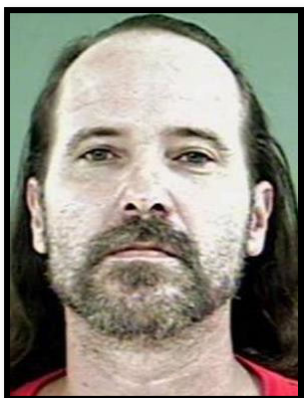
July 21, 2007 – 10000 Block of Barberry Street, Willis, Texas



*Diana “Lori” Walker
Killebrew*

SYNOPSIS: On July 21, 2007, at approx. 3:30 pm, the dead body of the Victim, Diana “Lori” Walker Killebrew (40 yoa), was discovered inside her residence in the 10000 block of Barberry Street, the Walnut Cove Subdivision, in Willis, Texas. Killebrew’s husband had made the discovery after returning from a business trip. Killebrew had been stabbed multiple times. A Person of Interest, Mitchell Wendell Cheney, had been living at the same residence and was missing. Cheney is described as follows: **White male, 45 yoa, 6’1”, 170 lbs, brown hair, green eyes, with a tattoo of a tiger on his back.**

UPDATE: In 2011, skeletal remains were found in the National Forest in Montgomery County and subsequently identified as belonging to Cheney. His death is ruled a homicide.



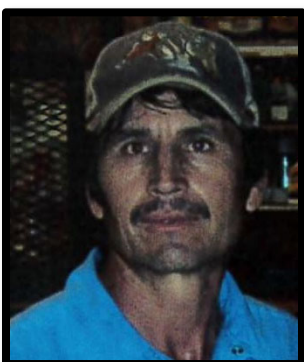
*Mitchell Wendell Cheney
MISSING / LATER FOUND*

2009

Case# 09A014145

Murder of Martin Soto

August 5, 2009 – 13000 Block of Scotts Ridge Road, Montgomery, Texas



Martin Soto

SYNOPSIS: On August 5, 2009, at approx. 2:45 pm, the dead body of an unidentified Hispanic male was discovered in Lake Conroe in the 13000 block of Scotts Ridge Rd, Montgomery, Texas. An autopsy revealed the body had multiple stab wounds and was ruled a Homicide. On August 6, 2009 a call came in to the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office after watching Crime Stoppers alert on the news about the dead body that identified the person as Victim, Martin Soto (44 yoa).

2010

Case# 10A009110

Missing Person – Joseph Lynn Price

June 2010 – 13000 Block of Johnson Road, Conroe, Texas

*Joseph Lynn Price*

SYNOPSIS: Joseph Price was last seen by family members in June of 2010 at a home in the 13000 block of Johnson Road, Conroe, Texas. Joseph is a known drug user and has attempted suicide in the past. Joseph was believed to be in possession of a .22 revolver. Joseph does not have a vehicle and has not been in contact with family or friends. Joseph is described as follows: **White male, 35 years old (at time of disappearance), Brown hair with Hazel eyes. Joseph is 5'09" and about 135 pounds.**

2010

Case# 10A002991

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Cher-Lon Denice (Cricket) Goodman

August 28, 2008 – 13900 Block of Gerard Lane, Conroe, Texas

*Cher-Lon Denice
(Cricket) Goodman*

SYNOPSIS: On August 26, 2008 Cher-Lon (Cricket) Goodman called her daughter on the phone crying and said that she was leaving her boyfriend. Cher-Lon's daughter made several attempts to contact her and look for her for a year but nobody had seen her. On February 2, 2010, her daughter reported Cher-Lon as missing. Cher-Lon's last known address was in Conroe, Texas. Cher-Lon was entered into NCIC/TCIC as a Missing Person (MP) under **NIC# M738680198.**

Cher-Lon is a known drug user and mental health patient. Cher-Lon is described as follows: **W/F, DOB – 02/02/68, 40 years of age when reported missing, 5'1", 115 lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes, with multiple tattoos.** DNA has been collected from family members and uploaded into the DNA database known as CODIS.

2010

Case# 10A002991**Missing Person (Foul Play) – Wendall Elton (Buddy) Lankford****September 6, 2008 – 1300 Block of FM 3278, Coldspring, Texas**

*Wendall Elton
(Buddy) Lankford*

SYNOPSIS: On November 25, 2010 family members reported Wendall E. (Buddy) Lankford had been missing since September 6, 2008 to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office. Deputies learned Lankford was last seen in San Jacinto County and referred family members to San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office to file the missing person report. Later that day family members called the San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office and filed the missing person report. After the report was completed with San Jacinto County Sheriff's Office, family members were referred back to the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office for follow-up investigation since Wendall's last known address was in Conroe, Texas. Wendall was entered into NCIC/TCIC as a Missing Person (MP) under NIC# **M157779696**

Wendall is described as follows: **W/M, DOB – 05/30/62, 46 years of age when reported missing, 5'08" 265 lbs, with Reddish Brown hair and Hazel eyes. Wendall was last seen September 6, 2008 by his wife and kids at a marina in San Jacinto County near the Livingston Dam.**

UPDATE: In 2010, MCSO Cold Case Detectives opened an MCSO case and DNA has been collected from family members then uploaded into the DNA database known as CODIS.

2011

Case # 11A017763**Missing Person – Theresa Rena Green****October 16, 2011 – 26000 Block of Lake Drive, Splendora, Texas**

Theresa Rena Green

SYNOPSIS: On September 13, 2011 Theresa Green left to go out of state with her boyfriend. Green stayed in contact with friends and family until October 16, 2011 when she requested drugs be sent to her in Nevada. Green's boyfriend returned to Texas without her and stated Green left him for another man and they were on their way to Colorado. Green is described as follows: **White female, 40 years old (at time of disappearance), Brown hair with Brown eyes. Green is 5'06" and 267 pounds.**

2011

Case # 11A016521**Missing Person (Foul Play) – Thomas Charles (T.J.) Murray Jr.****October 19, 2011 – 300 Block of Sawdust Road, Spring, Texas***Thomas Murray Jr.*

SYNOPSIS: On October 18, 2011, Thomas (T.J.) Murray Jr. drove his father's Ford F-150 to On The Rox Bar located at 592 Sawdust Rd., Spring, TX and left it parked there. T.J. rode with a friend to a couple of different bars and the truck was found still parked at On The Rox Bar. T.J. was last seen walking South leaving Rookie's Sports Bar and Grill located at 305 Sawdust Rd. #B, Spring, TX 77380 after getting into a confrontation then getting kicked out on October 19, 2011, at about 12:30 AM. T.J.'s cell phone was located about mid-morning on October 19, 2011, in the 25000 block of Borough Park Dr., Spring, TX 77380 with the back and battery off.

TJ is identified as follows: **W/M, DOB- 11/23/87, 23 year of age when reported missing, 5'06", 140 lbs, Blonde / Blue, Last seen on October 19, 2011, in Spring, Texas. T.J. was last seen wearing a Dark colored baseball cap, Red T-Shirt with large White "Hollister" (bird) logo, Khaki shorts and Gray sneakers. Last known address – 5050 Sam Houston Ave, Huntsville, Texas. NIC# M560330019.** DNA has been collected from family members and uploaded into the DNA database known as CODIS.

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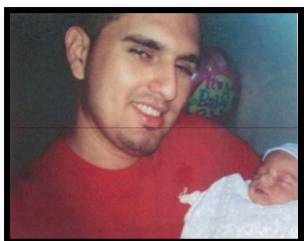
Case # 12A010632
Murder of Emily Gamez

July 17, 2012 – 17000 Block of FM 1314, Conroe, Texas



Emily Gamez

SYNOPSIS: On July 17, 2012, at approx. 3:00 pm, Montgomery County Sheriff's Deputies were dispatched to St. Luke's Hospital Emergency Room located in The Woodlands, Texas in reference to a Child Injury. The 2 month old Victim, Emily Gamez, was not breathing and had no heart beat when she was brought in by her biological father Suspect, Miguel Alexander Gamez-Espinoza. Emily was revived and transported by air to Texas Children's Hospital in Houston, Texas where she later died. An autopsy revealed evidence of old and new injuries to Emily's body. After being interviewed at the hospital, Miguel Gamez-Espinoza fled to Mexico.



*Miguel Alexander
Gamez-Espinoza*

2012

Case # 12A015873
Murder of Gregorio Angel-Jaimes

October 21, 2012 – 19000 Block of Donna Lane, Conroe, Texas



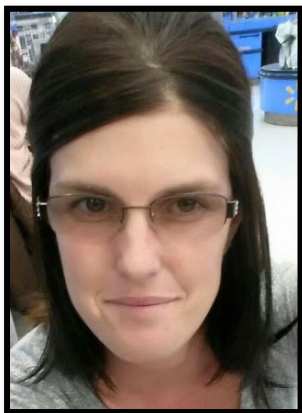
SYNOPSIS: On October 21, 2012, at approx. 10:16 am, the dead body of the Victim, Gregorio Angel-Jaimes (21 yoa), was discovered inside his residence in the 19000 block of Donna Lane, Conroe, Texas. Gregorio's wife discovered him after going to wake him up. Gregorio spoke to his wife before going to bed and said he had gone to The Stadium Sports Bar located at 1428 Spring Cypress Road, Spring, Texas 77373 with friends and stayed there until it closed. Gregorio told his wife he got into an altercation with several Black males in the parking lot of the bar and was hit in the head with a baseball bat. Gregorio vomited several times before going to bed. An autopsy revealed Gregorio died from blunt trauma of the head and his death was ruled a Homicide.

2015

Case # 15A004609

Missing Person (Foul Play) – Danielle Sleeper

March 22, 2015 – Turtle Dove Lane, Magnolia, Texas

*Danielle Sleeper*

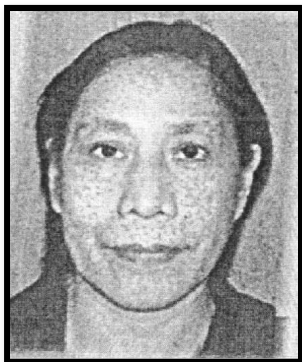
SYNOPSIS: Danielle Sleeper, 32 years old, attended a BBQ off Bowler Road near FM 1488 in Field Store, Waller County, Texas on the evening of March 21, 2015. Friends stated that in the early morning hours of March 22, 2015 and after an argument with her husband, Danielle, their 3 year old son and her husband left together in her husband's white, 1996 Ford F-350 pickup truck. Danielle's husband stated they arrived at their home on Turtle Dove Lane, in Magnolia, Montgomery County, Texas and went to sleep. Later that morning, Danielle's husband left to run errands with friends, while Danielle was still asleep. When Danielle's husband returned home later that afternoon Danielle, along with her purse and cell phone, were missing. Due to Danielle having left her vehicle at the BBQ from the night before, it is unknown how, or with whom, she left. Danielle has never been seen or heard from again. Danielle is described as follows: **white female, 32 years old (at time of disappearance), medium length brown hair with hazel eyes. She is 5'7" and about 130 pounds**

2016

Case # 16A230331

Missing Person – Bernandina Avanzado Bandian

December 18, 2016 – 7800 Block of Bay Branch Drive, The Woodlands, Texas

*Bernandina Avanzado Bandian*

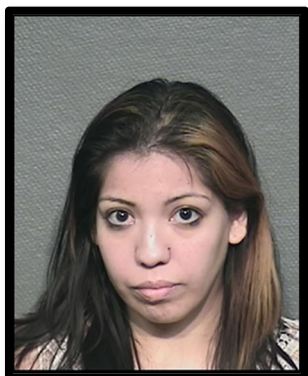
SYNOPSIS: On December 18, 2016, at approx. 9:30 AM, Bernandina Bandian was dropped off at a church in the 7800 block of Bay Brand Drive, The Woodlands, Texas by her roommate. Bernandina was not at church at the end of service and has not been seen since being dropped off. Bernandina is a Filipino temporarily in the USA on a work visa that expired on 01/04/17, serving as a maid. Bernandina is believed to have fled her employer so that she is not returned to her home country. Bernandina has a heavy Filipino accent and described as follows: **Asian female, 57 years old (at time of disappearance), Brown hair with Brown eyes. Bernandina is 5'03" and about 137 pounds.**

2016

Case # 16A001795**Missing Person – Alfredo Nunez-Hernandez****January 3, 2016 – 100 Block of Slatestone Circle, The Woodlands, Texas***Alfredo Nunez-Hernandez*

SYNOPSIS: Alfredo Nunez-Hernandez was last seen on 01/03/16 when he left the residence where he was temporarily living in The Woodlands, Texas to go to the store and never returned. Alfredo left on foot wearing a blue sweater, blue jeans, a black jacket, and a beige hat. Alfredo is from Mexico City and was temporarily living in The Woodlands and working as a home health nurse. Alfredo has no known physical or mental illnesses. Alfredo may have family in the United States residing in New York. Alfredo Nunez-Hernandez is described as follows: **Hispanic male, 48 years old (at time of disappearance), Black hair with Brown eyes. Alfredo is 5'06" and about 200 pounds.**

2016

Case # 16A001795**Murder of Amanda Michelle Martinez****June 30, 2016 – 15000 Block of Calvary Road, Willis, Texas***Amanda Michelle Martinez*

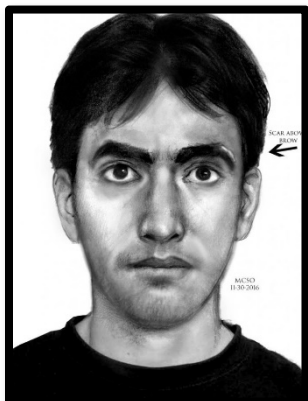
SYNOPSIS: On June 30, 2016, at approx. 1:50 pm, the dead body of the Victim, Amanda Michelle Martinez (27 yoa), was discovered on the side of the roadway in the 15000 block of Calvary Road, Willis, Texas. Amanda called her husband on June 29, 2016 when she was at a store in Houston, Texas and said she would be home soon but never arrived. Amanda is a known sex worker in Harris County. An autopsy revealed Amanda had been strangled. Evidence at the scene led investigators to believe the murder happened at a different location than Amanda's body was dumped at that location.

2016

Case #'s 13A18515, 16A167735, 16A186439

Sexual Assault Series

September 16, 2016 – 2300 Block of South Millbend Drive, The Woodlands, Texas



SYNOPSIS: Detectives connected the unidentified Hispanic male suspect depicted above to three sexual assaults that occurred in The Woodlands area of Montgomery County, TX by DNA. One assault occurred in 2013; the other two occurred in 2016. In the 2013 incident, the suspect offered the victim a ride in a Black, compact 2-door vehicle with black dice/white dots hanging from the rear-view mirror. When the victim refused the suspect's sexual advances, he stabbed her with a screwdriver. The two fought as the suspect pulled down her clothing, and he vaginally assaulted her from behind. In the 2016 incidents, the suspect entered the victim's residences through an unsecured window or door while the victims slept. The suspect either covered the victim's face with a comforter or attempted to wrap a bedsheet around her throat. The suspect then vaginally assaulted the victim from behind. In both instances, the suspect used Google Translate on his phone to tell the victim not to call the police. The victims were known to be of multiple races between the ages of 22 and 33 years old. In 2016 a forensic sketch was done with the 2013 victim and in 2018 a Parabon Snapshot composite was done. The suspect's DNA is in CODIS at the National level.

2016

Case # 16A197231

Missing Person – Donna Cloud

October 26, 2016 – 26000 Block of Lake Shore Drive, Splendor, Texas



Donna Cloud

SYNOPSIS: On October 29, 2016 a family member reported Donna Cloud went on a date with an unknown male on October 25, 2016. The family member stated Donna contacted them on October 26, 2016 and that was the last time she was heard from. Donna was last seen in the 26000 block of Lake Shore Dr, Splendor, Texas. Donna is a known drug user. Donna Cloud is described as follows: **White female, 19 years old (at time of disappearance), Brown hair with Brown eyes. Donna is 5'01" and about 120 pounds.**

2017

Case # 17A242151

Missing Person – Cynthia Harston

2013 – 27000 Block of Southland Drive, Splendora, Texas

*Cynthia Harston*

SYNOPSIS: Cynthia Harston, last seen by a family member in 2013 at a home in the 27000 block of Southland Drive, Splendora, Texas with an unknown Black male on their way to Houston. Cynthia is a known drug user and sex worker. It is believed the unknown Black male she was last seen with is her pimp. Cynthia was not reported missing until August 14, 2017 due to her being gone for long periods of time in the past. Cynthia is described as follows: **White female, 39 years old (at time of disappearance), Brown hair with Brown eyes. Cynthia is 5'01" and about 140 pounds.**

2019

Case # 19A139944

Murder of Michael Anthony Van Fossen

April 30, 2019 – 25000 Block of Interstate 45 North, Spring, Texas

*Michael Anthony Van Fossen*

SYNOPSIS: On April 30, 2019, at approx. 8:50 PM, the Victim, Michael Van Fossen (54 yoa), had a verbal altercation with the occupants of a light colored sedan in a parking lot of the 25000 block of Interstate 45 North, Spring, Texas. Van Fossen was then struck and killed by the vehicle which fled towards the Northbound Interstate 45 feeder road.

2021

Case # 21A394410

Capital Murder of Jose Diaz

December 25, 2021 – 3800 Block of Highline Oaks West, Conroe, Texas

*Jose Diaz*

SYNOPSIS: On December 25, 2021, at approx. 10:45 pm, the dead body of the Victim, Jose Diaz (37 yoa), was discovered by a family member inside his residence in the 3800 block of Highline Oaks W, Conroe, Texas. An autopsy revealed Jose had a gunshot wound to the torso and had several bruises consistent with being in a struggle. Jose also had a Black zip tie around his wrist. The home appeared burglarized and power to the home was turned off at the exterior breaker box. Jose's vehicle, keys and cell phone were taken from the scene and dumped at a nearby body of water.

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