HOMICIDE VICTIM IDENTIFIED

Attention: Homicide / Cold Case / Crime Analysis Units

Lily Ann PRENDERGAST
aka: Lily Ann Willis; Lily Ann Manning

Recovered: 10/27/1981
Location: Sacramento, CA
Race: White
Sex: Female
Age: 26 years-old
Height: 5’4”
Weight: 115 lbs
Hair: Brown
Eyes: Blue
Associated States: FL, GA, OH, TX

On October 27, 1981, skeletal remains of a white female adult were discovered on the side of Interstate 5 in Sacramento County, CA. Authorities determined the victim had been killed one to five months prior; however, she remained unidentified for almost 40 years.

In February 2020, the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office was notified of a DNA match to familial reference samples identifying this subject as Lily Ann PRENDERGAST, originally from Ohio. According to family, Lily was last seen leaving her parents’ home in Dallas, TX, after an argument sometime in late 1980. Lily was never heard from again. Lily has connections and/or family in Florida, Georgia, Ohio, and Texas. She was known to hitchhike.

Lily Prendergast’s homicide is still unsolved. Anyone with information regarding Prendergast or this case is urged to contact the Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office.

To provide or request additional information, please contact:
- Deputy Paige Kneeland, Sacramento County Sheriff’s Office, CA, (916) 874-1751, ckneeland@sacsheriff.com
- FBI ViCAP, (800) 634-4097, vicap@leo.gov –

Contact ViCAP for information on how your agency can obtain access to the ViCAP National Crime Database and view this case.

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