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Davie, FL- The Davie Police Department Cold Case Unit is sharing information with hopes of identifying a female linked to a homicide investigation. On December 23, 1975, the Davie Police Department discovered the body of an unidentified white female floating in a canal in the area of 2600 SW 154th Avenue. After carefully assessing the case and meeting with investigators from the Broward County Medical Examiner's Office, the Davie Police Department determined the circumstances of this case suggested homicide.

On November 15, 2019, Davie Police Cold Case Unit learned the unidentified female was buried at Wake Forest Lawn (Forest Lawn) in Davie, FL. On December 17, 2019, the Davie Police Department made history by exhuming the remains of the unidentified female with the assistance of Florida Gulf Coast University, Forensic Anthropologist Heather Walsh-Haney. The forensic osteological analysis estimated the skeletal remains were consistent with a 15-27- year-old female of European or “white” ancestry.

Once her remains were exhumed, Dr. Ginesse Listi, Director at LSU FACES Laboratory Department of Geography and Anthropology, agreed to compose a digital image of our unidentified female. The digital image is attached to this release and uploaded to the Davie Police Department website under Cold Case Files.

To continue our efforts to identify this unknown female, BODE Technology, was contacted for DNA extraction. Recently, on August 19, 2020, the extraction was complete, and DNA was sent to PARABON for Whole Genome Sequencing.

The Davie Police Department is sharing this information with hopes of identifying this female based on the new composite digital image and learning what happened to her on that fateful day. Based on the updates we have received; we hope that the victim's family and friends are still in the South Florida area and can identify her.



VICTIM INFORMATION:

- Gender: Female
- Race: White
- Age: 15-27
- Hair length and color: Brown
- Height: 5' 5"
- Weight: 123 lbs.
- Eye color: Unknown
- The victim was wearing blue jeans, a midriff flowered blouse, and open toe platform shoes. She was found wearing a silver ring with a blue center stone and six small diamond-like stones was on her left ring finger a pukka necklace. The victim has a gap between her upper and lower front teeth.