



A Mother's Love: Rose Devoe Honors Her Son Gabriel Through Advocacy and Hope

When Rose Devoe speaks about her son Gabriel, her voice carries a warmth and sorrow that lingers. Gabriel Devoe, a student at Valdosta State University was known for his vibrant spirit, infectious smile, and impeccable style. "He brought light to the room," Rose recalls. "He brought light to our lives."

Gabriel's life was miraculous from the start. Doctors once told Rose her baby had no heartbeat—despite undergoing a D&C procedure—a heartbeat would later appear. Doctors then said that her son wouldn't be viable or would be deformed. Rose decided to trust the Lord's plan and love her son. Against all odds, Gabriel was born healthy and full of life. He defied every expectation and grew into a confident, compassionate young man with dreams that matched his limitless energy.

In November 2022, his life was tragically cut short when he was senselessly murdered. Today, his case remains unsolved.

In a powerful act of grace, Valdosta State University awarded Gabriel his degree posthumously, recognizing the work he had completed and the promise he held. The gesture deeply moved Rose and her family.

At his memorial, friends recalled how Gabriel needed a two-hour head start just to get dressed. His charm and sense of style made him unforgettable. But beyond the outward presence was a young man grounded in faith, family, and love.

In the aftermath of tragedy, Rose founded the Gabriel John Devoe (GJD) Foundation. It is a testament to a mother's enduring love and her refusal to let her son's story end in silence. The GJD Foundation offers support to grieving families, uplifts underserved communities, fights gun violence, and raises awareness about unsolved homicides. Through her advocacy, Rose has turned grief into purpose. "Every day, I wake up and ask God to give me the strength to speak Gabriel's name," she says. "If I don't speak for him, who will?"

As the investigation continues, Rose refuses to give up. Her mission is not just about solving crime, it's about healing, remembrance, and ensuring no other parent has to face this pain alone.

Rose also credits the Justice Coalition for helping her stay strong in her fight for answers and accountability. "They gave me a voice when I didn't know how to use mine," she said. "They reminded me I wasn't alone, and that Gabriel's life mattered."

Gabriel's light still shines. His life had purpose. His story matters. Say his name. Support the mission. Help bring justice for Gabriel John Devoe.

If you have any information about the murder of Gabriel Devoe, you can remain anonymous. Please contact Crime Stoppers at 1-866-845-TIPS (8477). To support the mission or learn more, visit the Gabriel John Devoe Foundation.

Justice Coalition Paper Returns 30th Anniversary Sparks Newspaper Revival

By Justice Coalition Staff

Thirty years ago, in response to the growing epidemic of violent crime in North Florida, one man sparked a movement that would bring victims' voices to the forefront of the criminal justice system. That man was Ted Hires.

In 1995, Hires founded the Justice Coalition with a mission rooted in service, transparency, and advocacy for crime victims and their families. A former businessman turned community activist, Hires launched the Coalition after his own life was touched by tragedy. What began as a personal mission quickly became a city-wide effort to protect the innocent, support survivors, and ensure the justice system worked for the people it was meant to serve.

Now, three decades later, the Justice Coalition is celebrating its 30th anniversary and the relaunch of its flagship publication with a renewed commitment to the cause. "We've never stopped," said Exective Director and longtime staff member Robert Bracewell. "We've kept fighting for victims, for transparency, and for justice—no

matter how tough the road has been."

We at the Justice Coalition are praying during these trying times that you and your loved ones are able to stay safe. Our mission at the Justice Coalition has always been to advocate for innocent victims of violent crime, educate victims about their rights in the justice system, and work with law enforcement to make our communities safer. While recent events have made it more difficult to provide our services, we are still committed to serving victims of violent crime in North Florida.

The anniversary celebration will take place on July 29 at the Duval County Courthouse—the very day this commemorative issue hits the public. It's a moment to honor the legacy of Ted Hires and reignite the Coalition's mission for the next generation.

As we relaunch the printing and distribution of the *Victims' Advocate*, we invite readers to rediscover the heart of the organization—its relentless drive to inform the public, spotlight injustice, and hold institutions accountable. From court reporting to victim support to systematic

reform, the Justice Coalition remains a critical force in Northeast Florida. This isn't just the return of a paper. It's the revival of a promise: to be the voice for those who no longer have one.

The Justice Coalition still adheres to the mission that Ted Hires put in place nearly 25 years ago—to provide immediate crisis intervention and advocacy for innocent victims of violent crimes. The mission includes addressing the education of our citizens on criminal justice issues. The Justice Coalition has been incredibly successful in providing these services to thousands of victims.

Visit justicecoalition.org to learn more about how we work with local law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, and court advocates to make sure victims' voices are heard in the courtroom. You'll also find educational resources, archived issues of our newspaper, ways to donate, and tools for getting involved.

We thank our readers, donors, and volunteers for continuing to stand with us. Together, we can restore hope and help make justice a reality for every victim in need—now and for the future.

Attorney General Uthmeier Adds Victim Tampering Count to Man Charged With Trafficking a Minor



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Attorney General James Uthmeier's Office of Statewide Prosecution has added a count of victim tampering against a defendant already charged with human trafficking of a minor. While in pretrial detention at Wakulla County Jail, authorities intercepted three letters sent by Sky Skidmore to the victim, the victim's mother, and Skidmore's mother. These letters were intended to intimidate the victim.

"This defendant, who is currently in pretrial detention for committing heinous acts of human trafficking against a minor, chose to escalate his terrible situation by sending letters to intimidate and deter the victim from testifying at trial," said Attorney General James uthmeier. "Our Statewide Prosecutors have added this additional charge for this human trafficker and will continue to work diligently to hold him accountable for his atrocious crimes."



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Last year, the Office of Statewide Prosecution charged Skidmore with human trafficking, lewd and lascivious battery, encouraging the sexual performance of a minor, and unlawful use of a two-way communications device. Skidmore remains in pretrial detention.

Senior Assistant Statewide Prosecutor Guillermo Vallejo is handling the case.



The Justice Coalition is a grass roots, non-profit (501(c)3), non-partisan organization that operates on contributions, proceeds from fundraisers and citizen involvement. Please help us continue our advocacy for innocent victims of violent crime in NE Florida. Visit our website at www.justicecoalition.org or call (904)783-6312 to see how you can be a part of this vital service.

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Sex Offender Arrested on Attempted Kidnapping Warrant

A registered sex offender wanted for attempting to abduct a child in Daytona Beach has been captured by Jacksonville authorities. Timothy Hall, 55, was identified as the suspect in a July 11, 2025, incident where he allegedly exposed himself and grabbed a child inside a Daytona Beach store. The child escaped without injury, and Hall fled the scene before police arrived.

Daytona Beach detectives later determined Hall may have traveled to Jacksonville and requested assistance from the Jacksonville Sheriff's Office and the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force. The Task force, which includes JSO officers, quickly began working to locate the

suspect. On the evening of July 12, Hall was found inside a vehicle in the Arlington area of Jacksonville. With the support of JSO's Aviation and Canine Units, officers initiated a felony take down and arrested Hall without incident.

Hall's criminal history included a 2010 arrest in Hillsborough County for lewd or lascivious exhibition involving a child under 16. At the time, he was employed as a medical assistant at the Duval County Jail. He resigned following his arrest and was subsequently required to register as a sex offender. Now, Hall faces new felony charges tied to the alleged abduction attempt and indecent exposure in Daytona Beach. He remains in custody as the investigation continues.

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Sheriff Bill Leeper and the Nassau County Sheriff's Office endorse the efforts of the Justice Coalition to capture wanted criminals. We rely greatly on the public's participation in locating wanted persons and deeply appreciate their efforts.

LINSEY ANN AUBE

Race: White Sex: FEMALE
DOB: 03/27/1992 Ht: 5' 7" Weight: 165
Violation: VOP Poss. Methamphetamine & Poss. of Controlled Substance

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Race: White Sex: Male
DOB: 07/13/1965 Ht: 5' 8" Weight: 150-160
Violat ion: Possession of Controlled Substance

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Race: White Sex: Male
DOB: 08/13/1982 Ht: 6' 2-6'6" Weight: 185-213
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MONICA BETH BAKER

Race: White Sex: Female
DOB: 11/25/1982 Ht: 5'6" Weight: 165-170
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MARIO DANIEL ANTONIO SWIFT

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The Justice Coalition was founded in 1995, when one man's priorities were changed. Ted Hires was the average businessman working 60 to 80 hours a week and looking out for himself until the day when he and his staff were robbed at gunpoint. As a victim of a crime, Ted found the criminal justice system worked harder for the criminal than the victim. As a result of his experience, Ted formed a (501(c)(3)), non-profit organization, Justice Coalition, which continues Ted's mission of assisting innocent victims of violent crimes in the Fourth Judicial court system. Since 1995, the Justice Coalition has been fighting crime every step of the way. Fugitives captured are through a partnership with local law enforcement agencies, the media, and citizen involvement.

The Justice Coalition's Victims' Advocate

A free newspaper supporting victims' rights and published monthly by the Justice Coalition, Inc. The opinions of contributing writers are not necessarily those of the *Victims' Advocate* or the Justice Coalition. The *Victims' Advocate* welcomes both editorial and photographic submissions but they cannot be returned. Please allow six weeks for a response to submitted works. Calendar information is welcome but must be submitted one month in advance of the event.

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- To be available for innocent victims of violent crime
- To educate the general public on criminal justice issues
- To be pro-active in the fight against crime

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THE SECRET WORD GAME

Hidden in this Anniversary Edition of the *Victims' Advocate* is the SECRET WORD for the month of August. The rules are simple:

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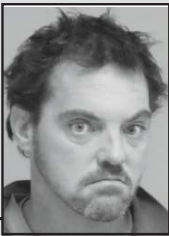
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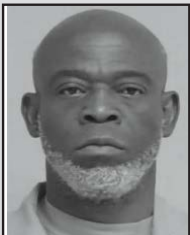
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DOB: 10/25/1980 **Ht:** 5' 7" **Weight:** 190-200
Violation: FTA 3 Counts of Failure to Comply w/Sexual Offender Requirements



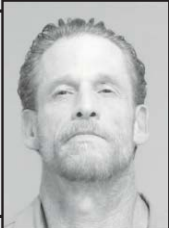
NOWELL EDWARD WILLIAMS

Race: Black **Sex:** Male
DOB: 12/06/1965 **Ht:** 5' 9" **Weight:** 168-190
Violation: VOP Grand Theft



PAUL RICHARD JONES

Race: White **Sex:** Male
DOB: 05/01/1974 **Ht:** 5' 10" **Weight:** 180
Violation: FTA VOP Poss. of Drug Paraphernalia, DWLSR, & DUI



MELLANESE ILENE BECTON

Race: Black **Sex:** Female
DOB: 08/04/1966 **Ht:** 5'5" **Weight:** 250
Violation: Individually or In-concert w/Others to Coordinate the Commission of Retail Theft



ANITA CAROL GOULET

Race: White **Sex:** Female
DOB: 01/06/1974 **Ht:** 5' 8" **Weight:** 115-130
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MADD Victim Services
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Ted Hires and the Legacy of Justice: 30-Year Tribute

Honoring the Founder of the Justice Coalition

When Ted Hires founded the Justice Coalition in 1995, he wasn't looking for praise or politics. he was searching for justice. After experiencing the devastating effects of violent crime in his own family, Hires committed his life to helping others navigate the very system that had once failed him.

What started as a personal crusade quickly became one of the most important victim advocacy organizations in the state of Florida. Through the Justice Coalition, Hires gave a voice to those who had been silenced—victims, survivors, and families devastated by crime. He made sure they were seen, heard, and supported in every courtroom and legislative chamber that would listen.

A former restaurant owner, Hires brought business savvy and tenacious leadership to a cause that was deeply personal. He built partnerships with law enforcement, prosecutors, and elected officials. he created educational programs, fought for victim rights legislation, and held public officials accountable. But most importantly, he sat with grieving mothers, stood beside broken families, and reminded them that justice was still possible.

From its earliest days, the Justice Coalition was designed to serve the community—not just through words, but through action. Hires made sure victims knew their rights, understood the court process, and had advocates at every step of their journey. His mission was simple: no one should face the justice system alone.

Over the years, the organization launched a wide range of initiatives, including courtroom advocacy, community

education, public case alerts, and Victims' Advocate, the very newspaper you're reading now. Ted believed in the power of information that when people are informed, they are empowered, justice is no longer out of reach.

Hire's legacy also lives on through legislation. He was instrumental in pushing for laws that enhanced victims' rights, increased penalties for violent offenders, and demanded greater transparency in the system. His efforts helped build a foundation that the Justice Coalition still stands on today.

Though Ted Hires passed away in 2017, his vision and passion remain the driving force behind everything the Justice Coalition does. His memory is woven into every victim service, every courtroom visit, and every newspaper column that bears witness to the fight for justice.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the organization he built. And while the world has changed dramatically since 1995, the mission he put into motion has never been more important. Violent crime, human trafficking, child abuse, and injustice still plague our communities, people are still missing—but the Justice Coalition continues to stand in the gap, just as hires did.

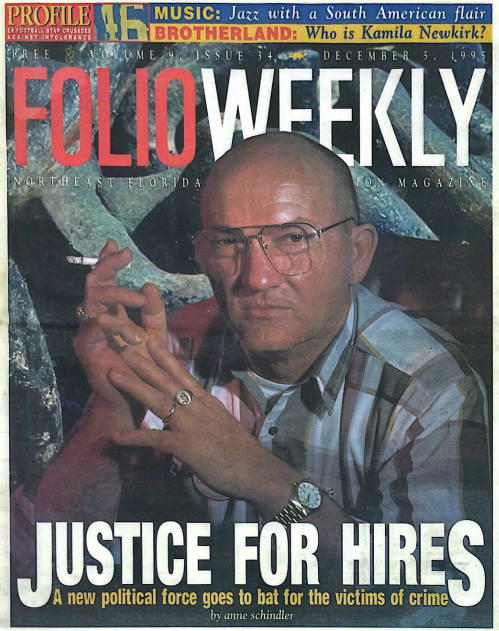
To celebrate his legacy, the Justice Coalition will host a special 30-year anniversary event on July 29 at the Duval County Courthouse Assembly Room. Friends, partners, families, and longtime supporters will gather to honor the man who turned personal pain into lasting purpose.

As we look ahead, we do so with deep gratitude for Ted Hires' life and work. He proved that one person can make a difference—and that justice, when pursued with faith courage, and persistence, can be

achieved.

Ted once said, "*It's not just about what happens to you. It's about what you do with it that counts.*" That Spirit lives on in every survivor we serve, in every system we challenge, and in every life we help rebuild.

The Justice Coalition is proud to carry that mission forward—today, tomorrow and for the next 30 years.



"I think where we went wrong was in the '60s, when the mood was, do what you want, do whatever feels good. Free sex, marijuana, whatever. We let the liberals and that minority convince us that freedom is supposed to mean do whatever you please. If you want to rob somebody and take their jacket or take their money, or kill 'em, that's fine. But it's not fine." — Ted Hires



30 Years, Still Advocating

By: Executive Director Robert Bracewell

As we celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Justice Coalition, I find myself reflecting on the legacy of our founder, Ted Hires, and the incredible journey this organization has taken. What began as one man's determination to stand up for victims of violent crime has grown into a mission that has touched thousands of lives across Northeast Florida.

I've had the privilege of walking beside those who've walked with Ted, learning from example, and now carrying the torch he lit. Our mission remains the same: to provide immediate crisis intervention, court advocacy, and education for victims and their families—at no cost to them.

Over the years, we've watch victims go from feeling voiceless to standing strong in court. We've helped grieving families find answers, and educated the public about safety, prevention, and the criminal justice process. Throughout it all, we've remained committed to one truth: justice should never depend on who you are or how much you can afford. It should be available to every innocent victim.

The relaunch of our newspaper, *Victims' Advocate*, is not just a return to print. It's a re-commitment to the values that built this organization—truth, transparency, and relentless advocacy.

To our supporters, volunteers, donors, and law enforcement partners—thank you. You've helped us keep going through difficult times, and your belief in our mission fuels everything we do.

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Current Age 52
5' 4", 120 lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes
Missing since Dec. 19, 2019
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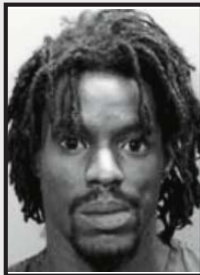
THERESA MAYNETTE MAXWELL
Current Age 66
5' 7", 140 - 152 lbs, Red hair, Green/hazel eyes
Missing since Dec. 28, 2022
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BREION J'MAALE DAVIS
Current Age 36
5' 7",150 lbs, Black hair, Brown eyes
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TRAVIS DANIEL CHURCH
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5' 11", 152 lbs. Brown hair, Green eyes, Missing since Jan. 9, 2018
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Current Age 58 5' 8" - 5' 10", 140 - 160 lbs, Brown hair, Brown eyes
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Current Age 42
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Current Age 44
5' 4", 120 lbs, Brown hair, Green eyes
Missing since Sept. 19, 2022
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DONALD RAY TOLLIVER
Current Age 42
5' 11", 200 lbs, Brown hair, Blue eyes, Faded tear drop tattoo under eye, Missing since July 27, 2022
Notify St. Johns County Sheriff's Office 904-824-8304



RICHARD JAMES RIDER JR.
Current Age 52
5' 6", 169 lbs, Brown hair, Hazel eyes, Eye glasses
Missing since Oct. 11, 2011
Notify Nassau County Sheriff's Office 904-548-4085



ELIZABETH ABIGAIL ATKINS
Current Age 38
5' 2", 175 lbs, Pink and blonde hair, Blue eyes
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Notify St. Johns County Sheriff's Office 904-824-8304



Name: Eric "Paul" Akridge
Info: Last seen May 3, 2021 in the 7800-block of State Road 21 in Keystone Heights area of Clay County, Florida. Paul is 6' tall, 180 lbs, brown hair and hazel eyes. Anyone with information concerning Eric "Paul" Akridge's disappearance is asked to call the Clay County Sheriff's Office at 904-264-6512 or First Coast Crime Stoppers at 1-866-845-TIPS. There is a \$17,000 reward for information leading to Paul's location.



Name: John Patrick Rowan
Info: Rowan, 34, left his Ft. Caroline home before sunrise Feb. 23, 2001, and has not been seen since. His SUV was found a month later near the Orlando airport. His case has been ruled an unsolved homicide.
Notify: JSO Cold Case at 630-1157.



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UNSOLVED MURDERS



Name: Mary Futrill Petersen
Info: This 34-year-old mother of two was strangled during the night and found by her little children on May 28, 2002.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-1157.



Name: Paul W. Seidenstricker
Info: This 44-year-old beloved husband and father was murdered on E. 17th and Hubbard St. on Feb. 21, 1994, by multiple stab wounds.
Notify: JSO at 630-0500

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UNSOLVED MURDERS

We regret that because of insufficient space we cannot include all unsolved murder cases on this page. We will rotate all pictures, featuring each victim every three months. We remain sorry for your loss and will continue to work to seek justice for all.



Name: Paula Harler Blackburn
Info: Paula was found murdered December 4, 1983, behind Brandy Branch Baptist Church, Bryceville, Florida, approximately six miles from the Jax I-10 Truck Stop (Baldwin, Florida).
Notify: Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Christopher Muncie
Info: This 37-year-old male was shot by an unknown assailant outside McB's Lounge, 6211 St. Augustine Rd. on Mother's Day in 2005. He died on his 38th birthday, June 16, 2006.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Jason Tyler Pelishek
Info: He was found in a park-ing lot of a law office on Lib-erty Street on July 23, 2012.
Notify: Call 630-2626 or First Coast CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Ansel Albert Thompson
Info: He was murdered on May 16, 1990, at 1973 Ribault Scenic Drive. The suspect left the scene in the victim's red Nissan Path-finder.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Donna Wideman
Info: On November 29, 2001, Donna was located in a shallow grave off of Wildwood Road in Yulee, Florida. She was known to frequent the area of 15th Street/16th Street/Hubbard Street.
Notify: Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Sulaiman Allah Muhammad
Info: This 28-year-old male was found shot while sitting inside his vehicle on January 9, 2011. He was parked at 6650 103rd Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Samuel A. Scott
Info: This 34-year old was found shot in his vehicle on January 14, 1995, on I-95 South. His vehicle crashed into a wall south of Ashley Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Tammie Lee Tschappatt
Info: On May 23, 2008, Tammie was shot as she walked on the street in the vicinity of Shenan-doah and Lacoma Dr. She was rushed to Shands where she died several days later.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Pamela Norton Wilson
Info: Pamela was released from the Duval County Correctional Facility on May 27, 1999. On April 10, 2009, the remains of Pamela Wilson were located by two individuals while in Deep Creek Hunting Camp in Bryceville, Florida.
Notify: Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Shawn Patrick Newman
Info: On Nov. 9, 2007, unknown assailants shot this 35-year-old male through the door of his apartment at 4743 Radcliff Ct. Before losing consciousness, he stated, "They came in and shot me." He died later at Shands Hospital.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Moussa Set
Info: He was found dead on May 6, 2003, inside the Amoco on Beach Blvd. and Art Museum Dr., lying on the floor and the bulletproof booth was open.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Michele Tyler-Hart
Info: This 21-year-old was murdered on August 9, 1995, near Borden Cemetery off Plant Lane and Old Middleburg Rd. (near I-295) on the Westside.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Delbert Bailey Luzader, "Lou"
Info: Lou's body was recovered on October 18, 1983 off of Crawford Road (Powerline Road), Callahan, Florida wrapped in sheets. His 1970's Ford Ranger may have been sold in South Carolina. A suspect has been developed and case is pending closure.



Name: Hiep Nguyen
Info: This young man was found murdered on the floor of his busi-ness, Boba Coffee Shop, June 23, 2004.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Bilaal Kwame Shaw
Info: Bilaal "Blair" Shaw, 19, murdered while waiting to catch a city bus on Jan. 8, 2009 at 5:00 a.m. CrimeStoppers reports only one tip has been received since the young man's death.
Notify: JSO at 630-0500 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS



Name: Damien A. Wallace
Info: He was found deceased in the front seat of a car at 1261 N. Broad Street on April 27, 2010.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Linda Faye (Keener) Anderson
Info: Linda's remains were located November 29, 1987 off an embankment on Interstate 10 in Nassau County. She lived in Neptune Beach and was recently divorced.
Notify: Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Dustin Padley
Info: On Jan. 9, 2006, this 23-year-old male was crossing two lanes of Hwy 1 Southbound in St. Augustine Beach, when he was struck by a white '88 or '89 LTD, thrown approx. 120 feet and killed.
Notify: FHP at 904-695-4115, ext. 535.



Name: Jeffrey Edwin Sheppard
Info: This man was murdered and his body found in the River-side area on August 18, 2008.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: James Alfred Waters
Info: On Jan. 19, 2009, this 32-year-old man was killed while sitting in his car at the Cleveland Arms Apts. Numer-ous witnesses deny knowing anything about the murder.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Terry Lamar Maslin
Info: Terry was found murdered on Oct. 16, 2002, at 11501 Harts Road, the Hartswood Apartments.
Notify: JSO at 904-630-2172



Name: Julius Parrish
Info: He was watching his dog in the yard on June 30, 2012. A car slowly approached and someone began shooting. Another victim was also shot, but survived.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Merkel Hosea Smalls
Info: This man was found de-ceased on June 23, 2005, in the 11000 block of Thein Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Otis West
Info: On Sept. 14, 2002, this 29-year-old man was shot in the back as he walked away from an argument with friends to return to his home. The shooting oc-curred at 1248 W. Duval Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Thomas Leo Buckley
Info: On July 28, 1992, Thomas Buckley's body was recovered on Interstate 95 South (Nassau County), near the Florida/Georgia line with an apparent gunshot wound wearing a shirt that displayed, "Carpetland Florida's Largest"
Notify: Nassau at 904-548-4085



Name: Michael Lamar Perry
Info: On Aug. 7, 2008, he was gunned down at 13th and Mon-crief by an unidentified black male riding a green beach cruiser bicycle.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Terrance Dwayne Snead
Info: On Dec. 14, 2003, at 7:30 pm, the victim was found shot at 1944 Berkley St. in Jackson-ville where he lived with his grandmother.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Stephen Wiggins
Info: On Oct. 7, 2008, 56 year old Stephen was found bleeding and unresponsive on the road-side in the area of 5100 Colonial Ave. He was pronounced dead at the scene
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Crandall "Jack" Reed
Info: Police found 51-year-old Crandall Jack Reed fatally wounded in his cab on South Edgewood Avenue. He died later at the hospital. Reed was believed to have been was shot in a parking
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: John Ragin, Jr.
Info: He and Eric Stubbs were found murdered on June 29, 2011, at 5443 Bristol Bay Lane N on Jacksonville's Westside.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Darrell Lamar Stringfield
Info: Shot by unknown assailant on October 22, 2008, in the park-ing lot of Grand Oaks Apts. on Justina Road. He died on March 6, 2009. The suspect is a black male, 20s, 6'2", 225lbs.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Cedric Deon Williams
Info: This 15-year-old was killed at 344 Phelps Street on Sept. 23, 2005.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Lance Van Dominguez
Info: This 23-year-old was killed November 9, 2012, in the 3200 block of Rayford Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Crandall "Jack" Reed
Info: On Nov. 16, 2007, this 51-year-old man was driving his cab when a white car pulled alongside him, robbed him and shot him twice. JSO found him on Edgewood trying to get help. He died an hour later. **Notify:** JSO Homicide at 630-2172 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Eric Stubbs
Info: He and John Ragin, Jr., were found murdered on June 29, 2011, at 5443 Bristol Bay Lane N on Jacksonville's Westside.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172 or CrimeStoppers at 866-845-TIPS.



Name: Kawan Lamar Williams
Info: In July 13, 2003, Kawan was shot, apparently during a robbery, at 8711 Newton Road in the Southwind Villa Apts.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Hakeem Muhammad
Info: This 17-year-old male was found deceased from a gunshot wound on July 26, 2006, inside room 119 at the Budget Inn, 6545 Ramona Blvd.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: George Renard Santa Cruz
Info: He was found murdered on Aug. 5, 2005, at 284 Lamson Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Edin Tabora
Info: Murdered on October 31, 2008, in front of his home at Leigh Meadows Apartments on Sunbeam Road.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.



Name: Ryan Bernard Williams
Info: This 23-year-old was shot and killed April 1, 2010, by unknown assailants after being pinned in his car by other vehicles at Kings Road and Division Street.
Notify: JSO Homicide at 630-2172.

UNSOLVED CRIMES

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Case ID:
2025-000385347
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary- Causes Damage in
Excess of \$1,000
5100 Block of University Blvd
W



Case ID:
2025-00405925
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Unauthorized Use of Credit
Card to Obtain Goods &
Credit Card Theft
10000 Block of Invention Ln



Case ID:
2025-00405316
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Burglary- Causes Damage in
Excess of \$1,000
13400 Block of Beach Blvd



Case ID:
2025-00405316
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Grand Theft
7000 Block of
Commonwealth Ave



Case ID:
2025-00394083
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
6000 Block of Ft Caroline Rd



Case ID:
2025-00396297
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Conveyance,
Fraudulent or Illegal Use of
Credit Cards
14900 Block of Max Leggett
Pkwy



Case ID:
2025-00403707
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
11000 Block of Atlantic Blvd



Case ID:
2025-00381338
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Burglary to a Dwelling
500 Block of Laurina St



Case ID:
2025-00382163
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Structure
and a Structure
1400 Block of 6th St W



Case ID:
2025-00368123
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Criminal Mischief > \$1,000
6600 Block of Southpoint Dr S



Case ID:
2025-00383746
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
400 Block of Monument Rd



Case ID:
2025-00385403
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
10900 Block of San Jose



Case ID:
2025-00388852
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Conveyance
and a Structure
9000 Block of New Kings Rd



Case ID:
2025-00389942
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Grand Theft
4700 Block of River City Dr



Case ID:
2025-00359485
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Grand Theft & Criminal
Conspiracy
9400 Block of Lem Turner
Road



Case ID:
2025-00375645
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Structure
9500 Block of Joos Rd



Case ID:
2025-00371049
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Conveyance
900 Block of Cassat Ave



Case ID:
2025-92511152
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Auto Theft
2600 Strickland St



Case ID:
2025-00377173
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Grand Theft
5800 Block of University
Blvd W



Case ID:
2025-00305643
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Armed Robbery
1300 Block of Barnett St



Case ID:
2025-00374808
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Communicate to Defraud
and Obtain Property
8600 Block of Western Way



Case ID:
2025-00374973
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Burglary to a Structure
6600 Block of Firestone Rd



Case ID:
2025-00375811
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Structure
7900 Block of 103rd St



Case ID:
2025-00368609
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Structure &
Theft of a Motor Vehicle
900 Block of Arlington Rd N



Case ID:
2025-00339441
UNKNOWN SUSPECTS
Burglary to a Structure
5900 Block of Atlantic Blvd



Case ID:
2025-00366183
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Structure
1600 Block of Hendricks Ave



Case ID:
2025-00367755
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Criminal Mischief > \$1,000
5800 Block of San Juan Ave



Case ID:
2025-00367248
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Flee or Elude Officer,
Leaving the Scene of a
Crash & Resisting Officer
1100 Block of 8th St W



Case ID:
2025-00370579
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Grand Theft
10300 Block of Beach Blvd



Case ID:
2025-00370553
UNKNOWN SUSPECT
Burglary to a Conveyance
10900 Block of Heathfield Rd

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