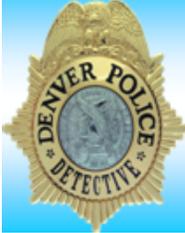


“We Will Never Forget”

The Denver Police Department created the Cold Case Unit to continue the pursuit of justice for victims long thought forgotten. Dedicated and specially trained investigators utilize their diverse background and skills in concert with forensic experts and prosecutors who have a record of accomplishment and success in pursuing offenders, collectively to bring those responsible to justice.



Victim: Michael Hernandez

Age: 44

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic

Case #: 71-474883

Date of death: 11/10/1971

Location: West 17th Avenue and Federal Blvd.

Synopsis: Michael “Mike” Hernandez, lived in northwest Denver. He worked for Barnett Lumber as a welder building fences. On April 18th, 1971 at approximately 2:30 a.m., Mike was in an altercation outside of the Jolly Roger Bar, which is located near the intersection of West 17th Avenue and Federal Blvd. He was later found unconscious with severe injuries to his head. Mike survived for nearly 7 more months, but remained in a vegetative state. Eventually, on November 10th, 1971, Mike succumbed to the injuries he sustained in the attack. Mike was the father of four children who, at the time of his injury, ranged in age from 9 to 18 years old. The loss of their father has created lifetime wounds.

The Denver Police Department’s Cold Case Unit is seeking information that will lead to the arrest and prosecution of the suspect(s) responsible for this murder. If you have information that could assist with this or any other unsolved case, you can help investigators by calling the **Denver Police Department at 720-913-2000 (24 hours a day - seven days a week) or by calling the **Crime Stoppers Tip Line at 720-913-STOP (7867)**. Callers may remain anonymous and receive a reward up to \$2,000.**



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