



**Victim: Willie Bender**  
**Age: 42**  
**Sex: Male**  
**Race: Black**

**Case #: 79-541638**

**Date: 10/06/1979**

**Location: 1616 E. 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue**

**Synopsis: In the early morning hours of October 6<sup>th</sup>, 1979 Willie Bender was inside of Pooh's and Sha's Restaurant, which was located near the intersection of East 34<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Franklin Street. Mr. Bender and another unknown male became involved in an argument. During the course of the argument, the yet to be identified suspect, shot and killed Mr. Bender. Willie Bender was known to his associates by the moniker "L.A."**

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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