

“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: Clarence Smith

Age: 43
Sex: Male
Race: Black

Case #: 92-512338

Date: 05/23/1992

Location: 2500 Block Franklin/Humboldt Alley

Synopsis: Clarence and James Austin were drinking buddies and would frequent the area of East Colfax and Yosemite Street on the Denver-Aurora city border. They would gamble and go to the dog track together. Clarence and James Austin were found together lying in the tall grass in the alley between Franklin and Humboldt Streets near East 25th Avenue behind a vacant house shot to death.

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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