

“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: James Monroe Smith

Age: 41
Sex: Male
Race: White

Case #: 97-015898

Date: 04/20/1997

Location: 4700 Blk. Alley Beach Ct / Bryant St.

Synopsis: Members of the Denver Police Department responded to the area of W. 47th Avenue and Bryant Street on a report of a deceased male within the alley. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male victim, later identified as James Monroe Smith. During the preliminary investigation it was determined that James Smith was beaten and stabbed to death. James Smith was homeless at the time of his murder and was known to frequent bars in the north Denver area. The suspect(s) responsible for the death of James Monroe Smith have yet to be identified.

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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