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UNSOLVED CASE

Homicide: Theresa Corley, age 19, Bellingham, Massachusetts 02019

Theresa Corley left a local establishment, the Train Stop, in Franklin Massachusetts late on the night of December 4, 1978 and went with some others to the Presidential Arms Apartments on West Central Street (Route 140) in Franklin. She left the apartment where she had been visiting with people she knew after an altercation and began walking along West Central Street (Route 140) to her home in Bellingham, Massachusetts, a distance of approximately three (3) miles. Theresa was reportedly last seen walking in the area of Bellingham Center, less than one (1) mile from her home by a truck driver in the early morning hours. This was the last known sighting of Theresa Corley before her body was found off of the northbound lane of Interstate 495 a few days later. Police know there were numerous people, some her friends that Theresa had been socializing with the evening she was last seen, December 4, 1978.

It is believed that those involved are still out there. Someone knows just what happened to Theresa. Whatever the circumstances were or may have been, Theresa should not have perished in such a cruel and careless manner.

The investigation remains ongoing. Franklin, Bellingham and State Police have continued to develop and pursue leads and areas of investigation whenever possible in the years since her murder. We are asking the public's help to open new avenues of investigation. We ask that anyone with information please stand up and come forward to assist us in solving the homicide of Theresa Corley.

Contact information:

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