

The Multnomah County Sheriff's Cold Case Team is interested in speaking with anyone who has information related to this homicide. Please contact investigators Pieter Van Dyke or Keith Krafve at 503-251-2449 or call the tip line at 503-251-2404.



Anne Christine Hill

Hill, 37, was found in a shed on property where she lived on May 22, 1989. Police determined she had been shot May 15 in a motor home on the property on Southeast 172nd Avenue.

Personal background

Hill was married and had children, but was estranged from her family and lived in a motor home on property where she once cared for an elderly resident. She used and sold drugs, as did most of her friends.

Circumstances

A man who occasionally lived with Hill in the motor home told police he left on May 14 as Hill packaged cocaine for sale. The man told police when he returned several hours later he found her shot to death. The man said he panicked and moved her body to a nearby shed. Eight days later the same man led investigators to the body.

People interviewed by detectives said Hill had been robbed of drugs and money before and was afraid of being robbed again. One person told detectives she was killed over a drug debt. Another person told police Hill was killed by a man who needed a drug debt forgiven by yet another man, who thought Hill was working for federal authorities.

The continuing investigation

Someone in the drug circles in east Multnomah County in the late 1980s knows who killed Hill and why. Detectives are interested in talking to anyone with knowledge of this case. Also, evidence from the scene is being resubmitted to the state crime lab for analysis using methodology not available in 1989.