

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



Carol Lynne Keightley

Keightley, 18, of Southeast Portland was a student at Vocational Village School and a former student at Franklin High School, who was found dead Jan. 10, 1982, 11 days after her mother reported her missing.

Circumstances: The evening of Sunday, Dec. 27, 1981, Keightley left a friend's house intending to catch a TriMet bus at Southeast 57th Avenue and Powell Boulevard. She told friends she planned to ride the bus to downtown Portland make a transfer and then go to her mother's home in Tigard. She never arrived. She was seen later that evening in the area of Creston Park on Southeast Powell. Her body was found Sunday, Jan 10, 1982, dumped in a ravine on the south side of Interstate 84 just east of the Gateway exit. She was fully clothed and her purse was found nearby. An autopsy determined that she was likely killed within four hours after she was last seen Dec. 27, 1981.

Keightley was 5-foot-6, 120 pounds with shoulder length brown hair. She was wearing a brown leather jacket, white blouse with multicolored floral print, purple pants and brown leather shoes. She had a brown leather purse with shoulder straps and was carrying a white plastic shopping bag.

The continuing investigation Keightley had a monthly TriMet pass and rode the bus frequently. Detectives determined that Keightley would sometimes hitchhike near a bus stop and accept a ride instead of riding the bus if the free ride came before the bus. Evidence in the case is being resubmitted to the state crime lab for analysis not available in 1982. Someone knows who committed this crime and with the passage of time detectives hope that a person or persons may now be willing to talk about it.