

OSBI identify victim of 1983 Pottawatomie County cold case

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EARLSBORO, Okla. ([KFOR](#)) — The [Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation \(OSBI\)](#) has identified the human remains of a 1983 cold case victim, 19-year-old Melody Ann Jones.

According to OSBI, the Pottawatomie County Sheriff's Office requested assistance from OSBI to investigate the [suspicious disappearance of Melody Ann Jones](#), who mysteriously disappeared on May 5, 1983.

Officials say on the morning of May 5, Jones did not show up for work and a family member visited her residence in Earlsboro to check on her.

However, upon visiting Jones' house, 20-year-old Paul Richard Jones, husband of Melody, was found deceased inside of the home and was determined to have suffered injuries related to homicide. Melody was reported missing after she was not found at the home.

After searching the area on foot, horseback, and helicopter, Oklahoma investigators could not find any clues or locate Jones.

OSBI say in October of 1998, skeletal remains were found in rural Seminole County and were taken to the Oklahoma Chief Medical Examiners Office to determine the cause of death and positive identification.

On Wednesday, the Medical Examiner's Office positively identified the remains as Melody Jones.

OSBI says the investigation is still ongoing and if anyone has additional information on this cold case, you are asked to contact OSBI at tips@osbi.ok.gov or 1-800-522-8017.

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