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Ongoing Homicide Investigation Blake Chappell

November 20, 2023 – Newnan, GA - On October 16, 2011, 17-year-old Blake Chappell was reported missing in Newnan, Georgia. His remains were discovered on December 19, 2011 and it was determined that a homicide led to Mr. Chappell's death. An investigation commenced in which leads were carefully investigated, but did not result in an arrest.

As we approach the twelve year anniversary of this homicide, the Newnan Police Department remains committed to investigating any and all leads, including reexamining all previous leads. We are determined to solve this homicide and have increased our investigation by adding another detective to this case. A thorough review of the homicide led the Newnan Police Department to identify additional steps to ensure this case is solved.

We appeal to the public to contact us if you have any information regarding the homicide of Blake Chappell. In 2011 we received a letter with an anonymous tip regarding this case. A second letter was received several years later and it is our belief that both letters are from the same party. We appeal to the sender of these letters: you may continue in your anonymity, but we would greatly value the opportunity to verify the information we received from you. We encourage anyone with information regarding this unsolved homicide to contact us at 770-254-2355, or at unsolvedhomicide@newnanga.gov, or through Crime Stoppers of Greater Atlanta (404)577-8477.

This investigation will conclude only when the person or people responsible for the death of Blake Chappell have been held accountable and prosecuted to the full extent of the law.