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AUTHORITIES OFFER $10,000 REWARD IN MARSHALL, TEXAS COLD CASE

Law Enforcement Seeks Assistance in Unsolved Murder of Edgar Dwight Dawson

Today, the Dallas FBI’s Tyler Resident Agency, East Texas Violent Crimes Task Force and Marshall Police Department announced a $10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the individual or individuals responsible for the murder of Edgar Dwight Dawson in February 1997.

On February 21, 1997, Mr. Dawson was found dead in the driver’s side seat of his vehicle; he had been shot one time in the chest. The investigation, conducted by the Marshall Police Department and the East Texas Violent Crimes Task Force, went cold after all credible leads were exhausted. The case was reopened in 2014 after the Marshall Police Department announced a commitment to clear the city’s cold case murders.

“The FBI’s Dallas Division is a proud participant in a number of federal, state, and local law enforcement task forces,” said Dallas FBI Special Agent in Charge Thomas M. Class Sr. “Our involvement in the East Texas Violent Crimes Task Force allows us to provide the full resources of the federal government in order to bring cases like Edgar Dawson’s to justice, for his family and for the residents of the Marshall, Texas community.”

Marshall Police Chief Jesus “Eddie” Campa said, “Important partnerships, like the one the Marshall Police Department has with the FBI, working together in the East Texas Violent Crimes Task Force, will allow us to bring closure to the families affected by this horrible crime. All unsolved cases have denied closure to the families of the victims. We will not rest, until all cold cases are closed and the person or persons responsible have been identified, arrested and found guilty in a court of law.”

Anyone with information is urged to call the Dallas office of the FBI at 972-559-5000 or local police department. A reward of up to $10,000 is being offered for information leading to the identification, arrest and indictment of the individual or individuals responsible for this crime.
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