

Trial Set Monday In Fort Worth Missing Woman Case

Jury selection begins Monday in the murder trial of a missing Fort Worth woman.

Glenda Furch disappeared in September of last year; Fort Worth Police believe she was murdered. Despite many search efforts and fliers, her body has not been found.

Sundays are difficult for Furch's family; it was the day that Glenda would come over and enjoy a meal. "She was a loving mother, an incredible mother. She loved her family very much, we miss her we want her back" says Latisha Furch, Glenda's daughter.

The trial will be the first time the family will come face to face with the alleged killer, Rodney Owens. He is the man police believe killed Glenda Furch. Latisha just wants to know what happened to her mother. "That's the biggest question we need to have an answer to is where she is." She also wants to know why. "Why did he target her? If he was going to rob her, why not just rob her and let her be?"

Many questions, but the one Latisha and her family desperately need answered is where is her mom's body. It's been one year since they've seen her alive, and the family can't bring themselves to have a funeral without knowing.

"Right now my whole family is at a standstill and we can't do anything. He lays down every night and sleeps... we can't do that."

<http://www.dallasnews.com/sharedcontent/dws/dn/latestnews/stories/100708dnmetfurch.e6a49930.html>

Trial to begin for murder of Arlington General Motors employee

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FORT WORTH - Jury selection begins today in the murder trial of the man accused of killing Glenda Furch, an automobile assembly worker.

Ms. Furch, 51, was last seen on Sept. 28, 2007, when she left her job at the General Motors plant in Arlington. Her body has not been found.

Rodney Owens, a former neighbor of Ms. Furch, is suspected of killing her at her apartment in east Fort Worth. Police linked him after finding his fingerprint on a piece of duct tape found inside a Dumpster near Ms. Furch's apartment. Investigators also said they found Mr. Owens' DNA inside Ms. Furch's upstairs apartment.

Mr. Owens, 41, of Fort Worth, will be tried in the courtroom of State District Judge Mollee Westfall. Testimony is expected to begin Tuesday and the trial is expected to last about a week.