

Update: Suspect in death of Sheriff's Deputy captured

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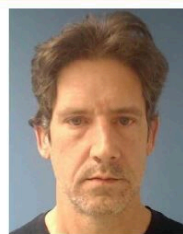
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RAMEY WARRANT **187 PC/Murder Suspect**

DANIEL JAMES WALTER
AKA EDWARD PATRICK DAVIES (LEGAL NAME CHANGED 07/28/2023)



**DOB: 04/23/1969 (AGE-54), MALE, WHITE, EYES: BLUE, HAIR: BROWN,
HEIGHT: 6'0", WEIGHT: 180 LB**

DANIEL WALTER IS A SUSPECT IN A MURDER INVESTIGATION. HE WAS LAST SEEN IN THE AREA OF NORTH BANK ROAD CRESCENT CITY, CA AT 0743 HOURS ON 10/12/23 (LEFTSIDE IMAGE). HE WAS WEARING A BERET STYLE HAT, WHITE JACKET, BLUE JEANS. HE LEFT THE AREA ON FOOT, TRAVELING EASTBOUND ON NORTH BANK RD. TOWARDS HWY 101.

DANIEL JAMES WALTER LEGALLY CHANGED HIS NAME TO EDWARD PATRICK DAVIES IN JULY, 2023.

WALTER HAS CONNECTIONS TO CURRY COUNTY OR. WALTER DRIVES A BLACK 2010 MAZDA 4 DOOR SEDAN BEARING CALIFORNIA LICENSE PLATE NUMBER "6JYD676". WALTER IS CONSIDERED OFFICER SAFETY. USE CAUTION.

Update From Del Norte County Sheriff's Office. SUSPECT IN CUSTODY: 10/13/23 7:19 pm. The suspect was located and detained by Brookings PD and is in custody in Curry County, Oregon.

Previous coverage from Oct. 13th:

CRESCENT CITY – Local law enforcement officers located the Be on the Look Out (BOLO) vehicle at 2:17 p.m. on Oct. 13, but are still searching for the suspect wanted in connection with the death of Del Norte Sheriff's Deputy Deanna Esmaeel.

According to the Del Norte County Sheriff's Department Facebook, Esmaeel was found dead in her home on North Bank Road Thursday (10-12) morning.

The suspect is the boyfriend of Esmaeel, Daniel James Walter, AKA Edward Patrick Davies.

“We are all deeply heartbroken with the loss of Deputy Esmaeel,” Sheriff Garrett Scott said on the Facebook post. “Our hearts and prayers go out to her family, friends, and co-workers.”

A warrant was signed by Judge Darren McElfresh for the arrest of Daniel James Walter, AKA Edward Patrick Davies.

Law enforcement is actively looking for Walter. There is no more information at this time, as this is an ongoing homicide investigation, the Sheriff’s Department stated.