Sheriff’s Office Looking For Grave Robbing Suspect

On September 8, 2011, a man visiting his wife’s grave at the cemetery next door to the Decker Lane United Methodist Church, 8304 Decker Lane, found the grave disturbed and her remains scattered.

Melvin Walenta said that his wife was cremated after she died on August 24, 2011. He buried her urn, with her remains inside, in the family plot. When he returned on September 8th he found that the urn had been dug up. It appears that the urn was thrown against a metal fence post along the north side of the cemetery and the contents of the urn were thrown over the fence. The fence is about 75 feet from the family plot and the contents of the urn were found about 20 feet north of the fence.

There is no indication why this one grave was targeted and Detectives have exhausted all leads in the case. Anyone with information about this case is asked to call Detectives at 512-854-7415 or call Crime Stoppers at 472-TIPS (472-8477).

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