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On 6/20/1984, the body of Caucasian female was found in the Spokane River near the T.J. Meenach Bridge. The body had been in the water for a minimum of several days.

The body was unclothed and was missing its head, hands and feet. The missing body parts had been severed by using a cutting and / or chopping instrument. A search of the area revealed no tools or body parts.

An autopsy done on 6/22/1984. The actual cause of death was not determined. No tattoos. The torso had two small moles on the front of the neck and a faint scar over the right knee. The victim had possibly been pregnant at some point as the torso showed that she'd been heavier at some time in her life.

On 7/18/84, a dog brought a decomposing human left hand home to a residence on Rim Rock, which is located in the general vicinity of where the torso was found. It was sent to the FBI lab in Washington, D.C. and rolled fingerprints were obtained. There have not been any fingerprint matches up to this point.

Many tips were called in and followed up. An extensive investigation was conducted with no results.

On 4/19/1998, a person walking their dog located a skeletonized human skull with two vertebrae in a vacant lot on the N/W corner of 7th & Sherman. It was partially buried and apparently there for a long period of time. The lot was excavated and no more remains or evidence was located. The lot had been used as a construction dumping area for many years.

The 1984 case was compared to the 1998 case and it was determined that the skull may be associated with the torso since the C1 & C2 vertebrae were found with the skull and the first vertebrae on the torso was C3.

The torso was exhumed at a local cemetery and a second autopsy was conducted. Tissue samples were retained and sent to the FBI Lab for DNA analysis. DNA determined that the skull and torso were from the same body.

The skull was examined by a forensic anthropologist along with the autopsy report and the following information was determined:

- 1) Caucasian female
- 2) Between 25 – 35 years of age at the time of death
- 3) Possibly blonde hair
- 4) Medium build
- 5) Approximately 5'7" tall
- 6) Has had dental work

A forensic dentist completed a postmortem dental chart.

All info has been submitted to the WSP Missing and Unidentified Persons Data Base and is in NCIC (national data base).

A forensic artist reconstructed the facial aspect of the skull and drew a likeness of how the victim may have appeared in life.