



## Tarrell McClendon

JULY 15, 2005–DECEMBER 17, 2020

Tarrell McClendon was born on July 15, 2005 in Stockton, California. He was the youngest of his 7 siblings. He had a very happy and active childhood. He was involved in sports from a very young age. He was a member of the Delta Little League (4+ years), North Stockton Bengals (3+ years) and played basketball through the Delta Sierra Middle School after school club. When he went on to high school he continued to pursue football, representing #16 at Bear Creek High School.

His image was everything to him. He kept up with his hair. He made sure he was getting routine cuts and buying all the best hair products. Stepping out in his best outfits was important to him! His clothes always matched his shoes, and his attitude always matched his look!

He loved cooking and baking. His two favorites were shrimp alfredo and chocolate chip cookies! He learned to cook from his mom and sisters.

He found peace being around his friends and family. He would go on bike rides with his friends after school or on the weekends. He loved to go to the movies with his family or binge watch Netflix shows at home.

Music was his gateway. He would blast music and dance around in the living room. At one point in his life, he wanted to be a rapper/musician.

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Our Next Meeting  
will be on Sunday,  
July 9, 2023  
10:00 a.m.

Loch Lomond Yacht Club  
95 Loch Lomond Drive,  
San Rafael, CA

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# CITIZENS AGAINST HOMICIDE

## About Us

The majority of our CAH Board Members have lost a loved one to murder. We will never “get over” our tremendous losses, but we do “get through” the grief. Becoming proactive; assisting/supporting families throughout the most difficult time of their lives and guiding them through the complicated criminal justice system. We have joined together to create a voice for families of homicide victims.

## CAH Objectives

- Assist families through the complicated criminal justice system;
- Act as Liaison between families and investigative law enforcement;
- Provide assistance with Parole Opposition Letters;
- Accompany families to parole suitability hearings (when possible);
- Provide trial and courtroom support (when possible);
- Facilitate Reward Billboards (when/where possible);
- Provide information on pending crime legislation

## Protecting Your Own Interests

We cannot prepare for the devastating event that changes our lives forever. We can only react. You will need to know how to deal with the subsequent trial, sentencing and (today) the unavoidable parole hearings. CAH will help you take action to protect your own interests.

If you know of a family or friend who may need our help, please share the information we have provided here.

## Location for Meetings

We hold bi-monthly meetings on the second Sunday of the month at Loch Lomond Yacht Club - 95 Loch Lomond Drive, San Rafael, CA. The meeting starts at 10:00 a.m. We encourage anyone interested to attend.

## A Few Words From Jan

Last week, I reached out to a dear friend who I had not heard from in several months. To my delight, she was upbeat and enthusiastic and shared that her health had been steadily improving. During our conversation, I had to share with her some sad news; the recent and devastating loss of another dear family member. Her reaction of course was of sadness; her caring and loving words for our entire family was very much appreciated.

At this point in our conversation, I continued to bring her current with everything happening with me and my family. We have been friends for over 45 years, which means she knows all my children, their spouses and, of course, all my grandchildren. By the time I finished sharing, we both began reminiscing; laughing at all the fun times and the exciting/wonderful people and events I have in my life that surround me each day. Soon we were making plans to have our long-awaited lunch—which I am looking forward to.

This phone conversation with my friend compelled me to stop and think about the importance of focusing on my many blessings and to pray for patience with regard to the difficulties that come my way.

It is a very common occurrence (human nature?) that so many of us focus our attention on the bad or negative.

Why do we do this? Do you do this?

I wholeheartedly believe we would all be happier and healthier if we could focus our thoughts and conversations on the positive that each day brings us. I found a few quotes that I now keep on my desk with the hope of starting each day with a smile on my face:

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San Rafael, CA 94901  
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E-Mail: vctmsmurdr@aol.com  
Website: www.citizensagainsthomicide.org

## CAH Victim Advocate:

For advice regarding your individual murder case, 1-209-728-2873  
cahadvocate@yahoo.com

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He was selfless. He never hesitated to help someone in need or show concern for others. Many people who speak of him know him for his kindness and willingness to lend a hand. He was tough. He stood up for himself and others when he needed to.

At the age of 15, Tarrell was living life to the fullest. He had hopes and dreams for a wonderful and successful future. However, on December 17, 2020, while riding his bicycle a few houses down from his residence, Tarrell was brutally and senselessly shot down; murdered

by occupants in a vehicle drive-by. Stockton Police Department obtained a videotape of the car, but to date unable to identify the occupants. There are those (perhaps many) who know what transpired that day on December 17th during the early afternoon—broad daylight. It is time for them to come forward with information that will help solve this case. If anyone has information, anonymously submit tips to Stockton Crime Stoppers at (209) 946-0600. Tarrell's family deserves answers and he deserves justice.



Suspect vehicle

**HOMICIDE VICTIM**  
Case # 20-47402

**Incident Information**  
Date: December 17, 2020  
Time: 1:06 p.m.  
Location: 9500 block of Kelley Drive

**Submit Tips Anonymously**  
Web: [StocktonCrimeStoppers.org](http://StocktonCrimeStoppers.org)  
Call: Crime Stoppers  
209-946-0600  
Download P3 Tips Mobile APP and submit anonymous tips there

Officers responded to a report of a shooting in the 9500 block of Kelley Drive. When officers arrived, they located Tarrell McClendon who had been shot. Medics transported him to an area hospital where sadly, he died from his injuries.

STOCKTON  
**CRIME STOPPERS**  
(209) 946-0600

## Words From Jan

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“Attitude is the ‘little’ thing that makes a big difference.” —*Winston Churchill*

“You’re braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.” —*A. A. Milne*

“Count your blessings, not your problems” —*Anonymous*

At CAH we are accomplishing as much as we can to assist our families and friends of victims. Our 29th Annual Golf Charity Event is coming up on Friday, August 5th, 2023, at Rooster Run Golf Course in Petaluma. We are now encouraging all of our players and supporters to sign up online. Please use the following links if you are interested in playing or donating:

<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/>  
<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/itemdonation>

<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/registrationandsponsorships>

I look forward to seeing you at the tournament and sharing a day of fun, laughter and excitement. If you cannot attend, please consider making a donation or sending a gift/basket for our Silent Auction.

Hugs til our next meeting.

—Jan



# The Mystery Continues

## THE MURDER OF JOAN BUE BUTTERBACH

By Kim Stephan

Joan Bue Butterbach disappeared on October 5, 1971; she was 45 years old. She was 5'-5" and was of a medium build with light brown hair and green eyes. She would list her occupation as Housewife. She had been married 25 years to John "Jack" Joseph Butterbach. They had 3 adopted children, two twin boys approximately 13 years of age and a little girl who was approximately 10 years of age. They lived a comfortable, middle class life.

Joan left her home in Waukesha, WI during the early morning hours of October 5, 1971. She was on her way to Bird Island, MN to visit friends and then a three-hour drive down to the Bue family farm in Chatfield, MN to visit relatives. The only known clothing she was wearing was her brown tweed coat,  $\frac{3}{4}$  length. Unknown dress or shoes. She was driving a 1969 green Mustang. She was never seen or heard from again.

In tracing her route, she drove Wisconsin I-94, prior to the exit (right) into Menomonie, she stopped at a Mobil Gas Station to fill up (per gas receipt). Straight ahead (past the Menomonie exit), is the exit for the Twin Cities in Minnesota that veers to the left. What happened to make her veer off her path and turn right down the Menomonie exit is anyone's guess.



The Mobil Station at the time did car repair work, so if there had been a fender bender, the mechanic could have taken care of it. There would have been no need to drive into Menomonie. Is it possible that Joan may have either decided to grab a bite to eat in Menomonie and/or someone impersonating a sheriff's deputy could have lured her that way? Being such a small town, if Joan had been approached at the service station, the attendant would have sensed foul play and interceded. Unless, of course, it was an official sheriff's deputy or... perhaps the Sheriff himself(?)

During the summer of 1972, local kids discovered a submerged vehicle in Tainter Lake, Menomonie, WI. They used it to dive from into the cool waters. (This "lake" looks more like a river as it is approximately 50 yards wide. On one side is a Supper

Club called Jake's and directly across, on the other shoreline, is the boat launch that was used to launch the car into the water).

The kids had reported to authorities that the car was there and went so far as to break off a windshield wiper to prove their finding. It would be safe to say that many (if not all) of the town's 11,112 residents knew there was a submerged car in the water. This included the Sheriff of Dunn County, Sheriff Daryl "Corky" Spagnoletti, who took no interest or action. Why?

*(Note: Many of these children who swam this lake and played hooky to go fishing there, grew up to become sheriff deputies and one became the chief medical examiner of Dunn County.)*

In April of 1977, the lake had to be drained for some repair work on the dam. As the waters receded, the car became visible and there was no more ignoring that it was down there.

On April 18, 1977, after the car was pulled from Tainter Lake, the plates were run through the teletype system. The report came back that it was in direct connection with a missing person case. Upon prying the trunk open, a body was discovered, later identified as Joan Bue Butterbach. Also confirmed, the vehicle was Joan's 1969 Ford Mustang with Wisconsin plates M4586.

Sheriff Spagnoletti ordered the car towed to the fairgrounds where

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the crime lab began processing procedures. The body was removed and an autopsy was done. Dental records confirmed the body was that of Joan Butterbach.

In processing the vehicle, it was discovered the headlight switch on the vehicle was in the “on” position; the ignition was in the “on” position; the spare tire was removed from the trunk and was placed in the backseat; the throttle assembly was taken apart, the spring was removed and it was locked into a wide open position. This allowed the car to be catapulted down the boat ramp and into the water without assistance from a driver. The only other damage to the car was the pry marks on the trunk caused by the deputies and damage to the right front passenger side quarter panel (this was in direct line of damage to a tree at the entrance to the boat landing).

Apparently, it was common practice for all sheriff departments to send their evidence to Madison, Wisconsin to be stored. Finally, the day came when Madison informed all the municipalities they would be sending their evidence back to them, they just did not have the room for it anymore. Upon receiving Joan’s murder evidence, Spagnoletti had it destroyed. Now, in a murder investigation, it is state law that evidence must always be preserved. Never disposed of.

There were two “Red Letter Day’s” for Joan’s killer. First, the car purposely being left submerged in the lake for

6 years and then all the evidence destroyed. The evidence Included clothing, jewelry and some sort of binding that was used.

Wisconsin did send their elite cold case detectives to look into this homicide. The Wisconsin DOJ report that the cold case detectives put together was shared with the family, but that was all. They refused to provide them a copy. The current Sheriff provided no further info except that most of the report was their investigative questioning aimed at Daryl Spagnoletti.

The family was not provided a copy of the autopsy report nor a copy of the Mobil receipt with Joan’s signature.

When the car was discovered, the Waukesha Police Department (WPD) was dispatched to Menomonie and said they would be taking over the case. Unfortunately, the family was told that in 1992, volunteers at the WPD had changed all the old reports to microfiche and in that process the reports in reference to the Joan Butterbach homicide were misplaced. To this day, the reports have not been located.

Spagnoletti said in an interview with Investigator Travis Mayer that he had learned through the Waukesha detectives that Joan had no connections to Menomonie, only the Twin Cities. Since Joan had already been driving a good 5 to 5-1/2 hours and had another 3-hour drive to Bird Island, did she decide to drive into Menomonie to grab a bite to eat at Jake’s Supper Club? Since her husband was a sales rep for Mobil Gas (and had stopped there many times in the past), could he have suggested this stop before heading to Bird Island? What happened before, during or after her stop in Menomonie? Who accosted her, murdered her and then discarded her body and car in Tainter Lake?

it has been almost 52 years since the disappearance and murder of Joan Bue Butterbach. Someone holds the key which will unlock this mystery. No one is above the law, especially those who are sworn to uphold and protect it. If anyone has information, please do the right thing and come forward. Call the Dunn County Sheriff’s Office Tip Line at (715) 231-2907. Her family deserves answers and justice.

**UP TO \$10,000 REWARD**  
**STOCKTON CA MURDER**  
**Gerardo "Jerry" Ramirez Garcia**  
**MURDERED On April 24, 2011**

**CALL CRIME STOPPERS**  
**REMAIN ANONYMOUS**  
**209-946-0600**

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**STOCKTON CRIME STOPPERS**  
Just as the police & Sheriff  
2001-2002



# California to Make It Illegal to Confront Shoplifters

California is experiencing a massive surge in shoplifting crime. Instead of trying to deter and lock up criminals, **California politicians want to make it illegal to STOP shoplifters—and charge YOU with a crime if you do!** Senate Bill 553 aims to prohibit the “direct confrontation” of shoplifters by store owners and employees. Not only does this bill turn crime victims into the criminals, but it incentivizes more crime by letting shoplifters off the hook!

## Quote of the Month



“There may be times when we are powerless to prevent injustice but there must never be a time when we fail to protest.”

—Elie Wiesel

**UP TO \$10,000 REWARD**  
**FRANCISCO J. HERNANDEZ**  
**MURDERED JAN 23, 2018**  
**(209) 369-2746**

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**UP TO \$30,000 REWARD**  
**STOCKTON, CA TRIPLE HOMICIDE**  
**JOE LOR**  
**GINA XIONG**  
**KAYLEEN LOR**  
**MURDERED ON MAY 13, 2018**  
 CALL CRIME STOPPERS  
 REMAIN ANONYMOUS  
**209-946-0600**

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**\$75,000 REWARD**  
FOR INFORMATION LEADING TO AN ARREST AND CONVICTION  
**BILL & LENA CHAPMAN**  
**MURDERED ON OCTOBER 1, 2006**  
**MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
**209-385-4703**

MERCED POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Dates to Remember

### OUR 2023 CALENDAR:

July 9, 2023  
 CAH Meeting

August 4, 2023  
 Golf Tournament

September 10, 2023  
 CAH Meeting

November 12, 2023  
 CAH Meeting



## ROOSTER RUN GOLF CLUB

2301 East Washington Street  
Petaluma, California

### Course Rules

Collared Shirt    Soft Spikes Only

### Prizes

- Hole-in-One
- Closest to the Pin
  - Long Drive
- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place
- A & B Flights

### Silent Auction

If your company is interested in donating items for the tournament goodie bags, silent auction, it would be of a great benefit to Citizens Against Homicide and to the success of the event. Please use this link if you are interested in donating:

<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/itemdonation>

### Tournament Information

Date: Friday, August 4, 2023 Rain or Shine!  
Location: Rooster Run Golf Club  
Format: Scramble  
Maximum # of Players: 124  
Player Fees: \$200  
Entry Fee Includes: Green fees, golf cart, driving range, lunch and dinner.

### Tournament Schedule

Registration: 10:30    Putting Contest: 1:00  
Lunch: Noon  
Shotgun Starts 1:30  
Dinner: 6:15 (Awards and Auction)

### Registration

To register for play or to become a sponsor, please use this link:

<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/registrationandsponsorships>



# -29th Annual- Charity Golf Classic

August 4, 2023

Benefiting the Members of  
CITIZENS AGAINST HOMICIDE

Hosted at:

ROOSTER RUN GOLF CLUB  
2301 EAST WASHINGTON STREET  
PETALUMA, CALIFORNIA



Citizens Against Homicide is a nonprofit public benefit organization started by local victims, and other interested parties, to serve the families of homicide victims.

Because the law enforcement community has become increasingly aware of the rights of victims within the criminal justice system, it is critical for victims, law enforcement, and the public to work together.

All proceeds from this golf tournament will be used to sustain activities which help victims cope with the criminal justice system and raise public awareness of victims rights.

Such activities include attending trial and courtroom hearings, monitoring paroles, supporting law enforcement, serving on judicial and legislative watchdog committees, educating the populace concerning the rights of families of homicide victims, and helping families obtain information leading to the resolution of unsolved murders.



CAH Helps Balance The Scales

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## Sponsorship Opportunities

**AWARDS SPONSOR:**                    \$ 5,000  
Includes two foursomes, official program recognition and your logo on our website.

**SHIRT SPONSOR:**                        \$ 7,000  
Includes two foursomes, official program recognition and your logo on our website.

**TEE PRIZE SPONSOR:**                \$ 5,000  
Includes two foursomes, official program recognition and your logo on our website.

**LOGO BALL SPONSOR:**                \$ 3,000  
Includes one foursome, official program recognition, logo ball insignia and your logo on our website.

**LUNCH SPONSOR:**                        \$ 3,000  
Includes one foursome, official program recognition, lunch table sign and your logo on our website.

**BEVERAGE CART SPONSOR:**        \$ 3,000  
Includes two player entry, official program recognition and special cart sign.

**WINE or DESSERT SPONSOR:**        \$ 3,000  
Includes two player entry, official program recognition, banquet table sign and your logo on our website.

**HONORARY SPONSOR:**                \$ 1,000  
Includes one player entry, official program recognition and your logo on our website.

**HOLE SPONSOR:**                         \$ 500  
Includes one player.

If you would like to become one of our tournament sponsors or contribute with a monetary donation, please use this link:  
<https://citizensagainsthomicide.ejoinme.org/registrationandsponsorships>.

Although I am unable to play golf this day, I would like to help make a difference by my enclosed donation of

\$ \_\_\_\_\_.

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## Unclaimed Restitution

### English

Were you the victim of a crime and the court ordered you restitution? The California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation may have collected money for you. Contact the Office of Victim and Survivor Rights and Services to inquire if you have unclaimed money from a direct order of restitution. To update your address or to obtain additional information, call CDCR toll free at 1-877-256-6877 or visit <https://unclaimedrestitution.cdcr.ca.gov/>.

### Spanish

Si usted fue victima de un crimen y la corte le otorgo restitution, es posible que el Departamento de Correcciones y Rehabilitacion haya recibido dinero a su favor. Llame a la oficina de Victimas y Sobrevivientes para preguntar si usted tiene restitution que no se haya reclamado. Para obtener mas informacion, llame gratis al 1-877-256-6877 o visitar <https://unclaimedrestitution.cdcr.ca.gov/>.

## How can you request compensation for travel costs to a parole hearing?

The Office of Victim and Survivor Rights and Services has funds available through a federal grant which allows for reimbursement to victims and next-of-kin for costs associated with travel to parole hearings.

For information on how to apply for travel reimbursement contact OVSRS at 1-877-256-6877.

