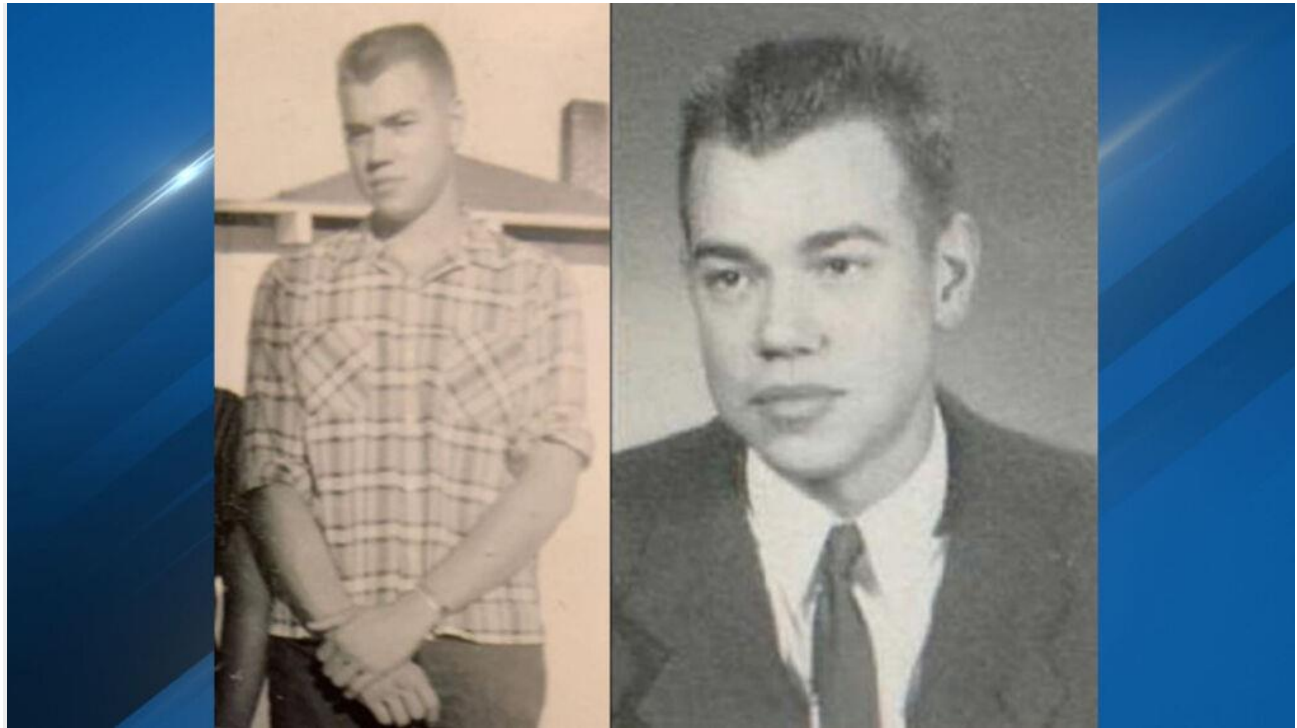


Oregon State Police ask for help solving cold case from 1960s

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Leslie Page Hickman in his teenage years. Images from OSP Facebook

TILLAMOOK, Ore. — Oregon State Police (OSP) investigators are asking for help from the public in solving a cold case from the 1960s.

Skeletal remains were found in the Tillamook State Forest off Highway 26 in October of 2004. Despite tips to authorities, the remains weren't identified.

In July 2021, however, DNA revealed that the remains may belong to Leslie Page Hickman.

OSP interviewed living relatives and friends and used public records to confirm that it was Hickman.

Hickman was born in 1942 and lived with his family in Washington County, Oregon. Later on in life, he moved south to Grants Pass.

After high school, Hickman moved to the Portland area. He also spent time in the Umatilla area.

Hickman disappeared sometime in late 1967 or early 1968. He would have been about 25 years old.

Officials say around the time of his disappearance Hickman may have worked in the landscaping business.

The cause of Hickman's death remains unclear.

OSP is asking for anyone that may have information concerning Hickman's disappearance or death that can provide closure to his living family to contact OSP Dispatch at 800-442-0776 and reference case # SP04396253 and OSP Detective Jim O'Connor.