

# HUMAN REMAINS DISCOVERED NEAR I-65 IN 2001 IDENTIFIED BY KSP, DNA DOE PROJECT

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Kentucky State Police has identified human remains found in 2001 with the assistance of the [DNA Doe Project](#).

State police said that on October 9, 2001, troopers initiated a death investigation after human remains were found near the 12-mile marker of I-65 in Simpson County. At the time, the identity of the deceased was not established and no leads were available, police said.

Through years of investigation and the assistance of the DNA Doe Project, police identified the victim as Dawn Clare Plonsky Wilkerson, 45, of Nashville, Tennessee.

The investigation continues and police request anyone with knowledge of Wilkerson's death to contact Kentucky State Police at 270-782-2010.

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