

Skeletal remains of a man missing since 2017 found near

Lawrenceburg, Indiana

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Josh Batchelor was reported missing in May 2017. *(Photo: Indiana State Police/Provided)*

Skeletal remains found in earlier this week near Lawrenceburg, Indiana have been identified as that of Josh Batchelor, who was last seen in 2017, police said.

A man contacted police Sunday, Oct. 13 after he saw human remains while walking in a heavily wooded area near Lawrenceburg, according to an Indiana State Police news release sent Wednesday afternoon.

The remains have been identified as belonging to Batchelor, who was reported missing in May 2017, police said. Investigators identified the remains using dental records.

The 37-year-old Batchelor [was last seen April 26, 2017](#), according to the Indiana Missing Report.

Police investigators and University of Indianapolis forensic anthropologists searched the area Monday and Tuesday for additional remains.

The searchers found additional remains believed to be of the same person on Monday and Tuesday, police said.

Batchelor's family has been notified by police. The investigation into his death is ongoing, police said.

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