



On December 7, 1991, a hiker discovered a woman's body beneath a pile of tree branches on a hiking trail near CR 433 in Sorrento. She was naked below the waist and had been the victim of rape and homicide.

Joseph A. Rolle, Jr. was charged with her rape and murder, but a jury convicted him only of her rape; not her murder. He denied knowing her identity.

Her skeletal findings indicate she gave birth to at least one, possibly two children.

She was wearing a red hooded sweatshirt, blue and pink shirt and sports bra. She was wearing unusual gold color earrings with stars, hearts and beads dangling from black lace. (actual earring pictured above)

She was 25 – 35 years old. 5'4" – 5'5" tall. 120 – 125 pounds. Hazel eyes. Brown hair in a "mullet" hairstyle, with frosted blonde tips. She had a history of orthodontics, but her teeth showed signs of neglect in recent years. She had traces of cocaine in her blood.

The above is a composite of what the woman may have looked like.

UPDATE: In 2016, detectives submitted Sorrento Jane Doe's DNA to the University of North Texas (UNT), which manages the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs). UNT established a DNA profile for Sorrento Jane Doe, but no match was made. Detectives listed Sorrento Jane Doe's fingerprints, dental X-rays, and DNA profile in NamUs along with her physical description. In 2025, detectives submitted Sorrento Jane Doe's DNA profile to Othram, Inc. for genetic genealogy testing. In May 2026 Othram contacted detectives with a possible lead. They believed a woman in Rhode Island was likely Sorrento Jane Doe's sister. Detectives contacted the woman who confirmed that her sister, Leslie Shaw, became estranged from the family, moved to central Florida, then lost touch completely around 1991. The family thought Leslie wished to remain apart from them so did not report her missing. The woman agreed to provide a voluntary DNA sample to Othram for comparison to Sorrento Jane Doe.

On 7/29/26 Othram notified detectives that DNA confirmed the woman in Rhode Island and Sorrento Jane Doe are biological sisters. Sorrento Jane Doe had been identified after 35 years as **Leslie A. Shaw**. Leslie was born in Port Chester, New York, moved to Winter Springs Florida, and was 33 years old at the time of her homicide in 1991. Now that Leslie has been identified, detectives are re-evaluating her case to determine if there is any evidence to show that Joseph A. Rolle, Jr., or anyone else, committed her homicide.

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