

Her family finally has an answer': Central Texas cold case victim identified four decades later

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HAMILTON COUNTY, Texas (KWTX) - The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office this week announced the identification of a victim in a cold case that had remained unresolved for more than four decades.

A woman who was found dead near Highway 36 on Sept. 1, 1983, has been identified as **Betty Jo Norris**, born Aug. 8, 1939, the sheriff wrote in a social media post.

According to the post, clothing and other evidence associated with this case have been preserved and maintained, which led to establishing Norris' identity and providing answers to her family after decades of uncertainty.

The investigation of her death remains ongoing, according to the post.

The Texas Rangers are working to identify and develop information regarding a potential suspect.

"Most importantly, after 43 years, Betty Jo Norris has her name back, and her family finally has an answer," the post reads.