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## Investigators make arrest in Mission Viejo homicide

**MISSION VIEJO, Ca. (September 16, 2021)** – Orange County Sheriff's Homicide Investigators on Sept. 15 arrested a man suspected of killing his mother at their home in Mission Viejo.

Deputies on Sept. 14 responded to a residence in the 27000 block of Cipres in the city of Mission Viejo after the 69-year-old woman was reported missing. When deputies arrived, they discovered suspicious circumstances at the home.

The victim, identified as Marie Mosby, was found deceased inside the residence. Deputies from the Tactical Apprehension Team arrested her son, Charles Mosby, 36, on Sept. 15 for murder. Marie was initially reported missing by another one of her sons on September 14, 2021, at 11 p.m.

Charles and Marie resided in the home together in the city of Mission Viejo. Charles was arrested without incident in Orange County and there are no additional suspects outstanding. He was booked into Orange County jail for one count of murder.

The cause and manner of death are still under investigation and pending autopsy and toxicology reports.

The department would like to express its deepest condolences for Marie's family and friends. Our thoughts are with them during this difficult time. We appreciate the public's patience during the extensive investigation.

"The quick apprehension of the suspect in this case demonstrates the commitment of OC Sheriff personnel to ensure the safety of our residents," Sheriff-Coroner Don Barnes said. "We will continue to pursue violent criminals and dedicate necessary resources to bring those who commit crimes to justice."

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Booking photo of suspect Charles Mosby, credit Orange County Sheriff's Department