

## **NEWS RELEASE**



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**CASE NUMBER: 09-9029**

**DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT: 11/29/09**

**DATE/TIME OF RELEASE: 12/09/09 - 2:15p.m.**

**NATURE OF STORY: Deceased Missing Person**

**INVOLVED: Matthews, Robert Allen DOB 06/24/46**

**LOCATION: 26012 Vista Drive, Veneta, Oregon**

**DETAILS: On 11-29-09, Robert Matthews was reported missing by a friend who advised he had been feeling ill the previous week. An initial investigation and cursory search of Matthews' property did not reveal any suspicious circumstances leading to his disappearance.**

**Upon further investigation, including Matthew's cell phone usage, Deputies returned to the Vista Drive address to complete a more intensive search and investigation. During a search of the residence, Matthews was found deceased in a small secluded area of the house. The cause of death is still under investigation by the Medical Examiner's Office, but it does not appear to be suspicious in nature.**

**Prepared by: Sgt. Rene Stone**