

City of

HURST TEXAS

POLICE DEPARTMENT



MEDIA RELEASE

Date: April 20, 2015
Issued by: R. Winstanley, Assistant Chief
Time: NOON
Topic: UPDATE: **CAPITAL MURDER**

The arrested suspect is Randy Allen Cummings, 42 year of age. Cummings has been arraigned on two charges:

Capital MURDER with bond set at 1,000,000; and

Assault Bodily Injury/Family Violence with NO BOND (This case filing stems from a previous offense filed with the Tarrant County District Attorney's Office).

Randy Cummings is charged in the death of his 43 year old wife, Laura Cummings. The cause of death is listed by the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's Office on their public access web site as: Strangulation. <http://mepublic.tarrantcounty.com/mepublic/Default.aspx>

Randy Cummings remains in our custody, pending transfer to the Tarrant County Sheriff's Office jail facilities.

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The investigation has led us to believe that the homicide stems from an incident of domestic violence. The suspect has preliminarily been identified and we are currently in contact with the suspect at a residence in Haltom City.

As a precautionary measure during the early stages of the investigation, due to the close proximity of the suspect's location to an elementary school a request was made to activate a "lock down" at Nathan Howell Elementary (FWISD). As more information became available a reassessment of the need to continue the lock down was re-evaluated and after careful consideration it was decided to release the lock down and dismiss the school as scheduled.

Investigators continue to process information of the investigation. We are not prepared at this time to release any additional identification or other information.

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On Friday, 4/17/2015 at approximately 1028 AM, Hurst Patrol Officers were dispatched to an apartment in the 700 block of E. Pecan to check the welfare of a resident. On arrival, Officers noticed that forcible entry had been made into the apartment. Upon making entry into the residence, Officers located a deceased 43 year old female Hurst resident. The investigation is ongoing.

We are relying on the Tarrant County Medical Examiners Office to complete the victim identification and notification of next of kin.

There are no additional details or information available at this time.

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