

Massachusetts D.A. releases sketches of suspect in Lynn Burdick cold case, disappeared in 1982

“The Berkshire District Attorney’s Office and the Massachusetts State Police Berkshire Detective Unit are releasing a new forensic sketch and four age-progressed variations of a suspect in the 1982 disappearance of Lynn Burdick.

State Police began investigating the disappearance of then 18-year-old Burdick on April 17, 1982, when she went missing at some point between 8 p.m. and 8:45 p.m. while working alone at the Barefoot Peddler’s Country Store on Route 2 in the town of Florida, Massachusetts.

The Berkshire District Attorney’s Office and Massachusetts State Police continue to actively investigate the case with a focus on a separate attempted abduction that occurred 45 minutes earlier, 13 miles away in Williamstown. The sketches released today are of the suspect in the Williamstown abduction attempt.

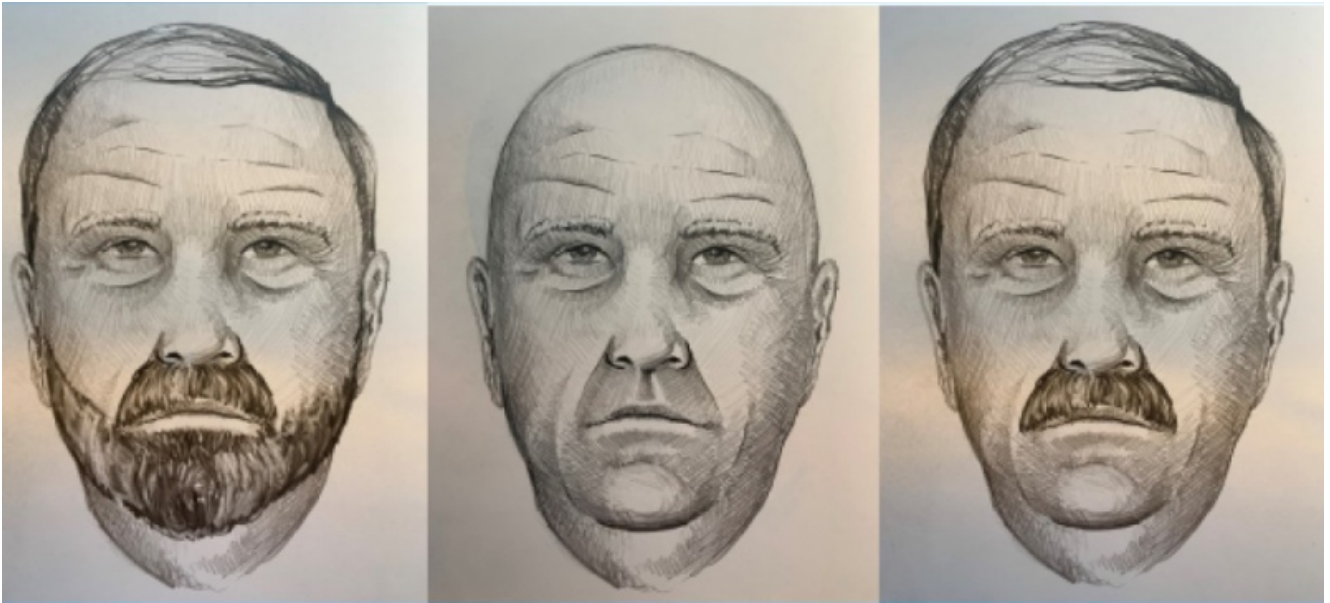


Photo of what the suspect may look like today if he has a beard, is bald, or if he has a mustache. Berkshire District Attorney's Office photo.

The office collaborated with a law enforcement forensic artist with the Lincoln Police Department to generate updated images based on recent case interviews.

Evidence indicates that the suspect is a white man, 5-foot-7-inches tall and is now approximately 70 years old. Further case data suggests that he may have ties to the state of Vermont.

Investigators are releasing a new sketch of how the suspect appeared in 1982 and four aged-progressed sketches of how he may appear today, with assorted grooming alterations.

"I thank the witnesses and the entire Burdick family for their strength and dedication while continuing to work with investigators assigned to Lynn's case. My office, the Berkshire State Police Detective Unit, and the Massachusetts State Police Unresolved Case Unit remain steadfast in following up on every lead and bringing advanced resources to unresolved homicides," District Attorney Andrea Harrington said.

"I also thank the Lincoln Police Department for providing us the specialized forensic sketching resources to further assist

in this investigation. I ask the public to share these images and if anyone has information about this case to contact the Berkshire State Police Detective Unit or the Massachusetts State Police Unresolved Case Unit.”

Investigators ask that anyone with information to contact the Berkshire State Police Detective Unit at 413-499-1112 or email the Massachusetts State Police Unresolved Case Unit at mspunresolved@pol.state.ma.us.

Berkshire District Attorney Andrea Harrington’s office serves all 32 cities and towns in Berkshire County. The office represents the Commonwealth in more than 7,500 criminal cases per year in Berkshire Superior Court, three district courts, three juvenile courts,

Massachusetts Appeals Court, and Supreme Judicial Court. The office works closely with the State Police Detective Unit assigned to the Berkshire District Attorney’s Office, the Berkshire Law Enforcement Task Force, and collaborates with local police departments across the county. A dedicated staff of more than 50 prioritizes public safety, empowering victims and witnesses through services and support, and building a safe community for everyone and especially the most vulnerable.? -Massachusetts State Police.