

Pickens County Coroner's Office

News Release

Incident Type: Homicide

Incident Date: March 22, 2003

Incident Location: 202 Ridgecrest Drive, Easley, SC

Victims: Connie Elaine Waldrop, age 43
Joshua Adam Waldrop, age 21
Both residents of above address

Incident Narrative:

At 10:34 AM, officers of the Easley Police Department responded to the above address in reference to a shooting incident. Upon arrival, officers made contact with a person inside the residence who was identified as Rod R. Waldrop. Mr. Waldrop refused to exit the residence. After approximately one hour of negotiation efforts by officers of Easley Police Department and the Pickens County Sheriff's Office, Mr. Waldrop surrendered peacefully.

After officers and paramedics were able to enter the residence, the above named persons were discovered inside, the apparent victims of weapons fire.

Mr. Waldrop was transported to Easley Police Department where he was later charged with 2 counts of Murder.

Investigation by the Coroner's Office has determined that both victims died at the scene of multiple gunshot wounds. Autopsies are scheduled for Monday to establish the exact cause of death.

Mr. Waldrop, age 43, is the husband of Connie Waldrop and the father of Joshua Waldrop.

This case is still under investigation by the Easley Police Department, Pickens County Sheriff's Office and the Pickens County Coroner's Office.

Phillip A. Snow, Deputy Coroner
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