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**Defendant Sentenced for Murder of 81 Year Old West Carrollton Woman**

*State v. Travis Burke 2013-CR-2989*

**DAYTON, OH (8/19/2015)** – Prosecuting Attorney Mat Heck, Jr. announced today that **Travis A. Burke**, 26, was sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole, plus an additional 14 years of incarceration, for the stabbing death of 81-year-old Edith King, who was murdered on April 8, 2013.

On April 8, 2013 the victim, Edith King's lifeless body was found in her West Carrollton home by her daughter. Edith was brutally stabbed multiple times and stuffed into her bathroom. Her car was also stolen.

The victim's car was eventually located at a housing complex on Limestone Avenue in west Dayton. Evidence collected led investigators to the defendant.

On March 10, 2015, the defendant was found guilty on all of the indicted charges:

- Three counts Aggravated Murder
- Two counts Aggravated Burglary
- Two counts Aggravated Robbery
- One count Tampering With Evidence
- One count Trespass in a Habitation

Prosecutor Heck continued, "This was a senseless, brutal killing of an 81 year old woman, that completely shocked the neighborhood where she had lived for more than 50 years. I want to commend the West Carrollton Police Department, as well as the other police agencies who worked tirelessly in solving this homicide."

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