

## NEWS RELEASE

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## UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (October 31, 2015) Suffolk Police advise that last evening's undetermined death is now classified as a homicide.

The investigation is ongoing and police are seeking the public's assistance. Anyone with information is asked to contact Crime Line at 1-888-Lock-U-Up. When calling Crime Line, callers do not have to give their names or appear in court. Citizens can also utilize TipSoft to anonymously submit crime-related tips through the Web, a text message, or from any Android or iPhone mobile device with the [TipSubmit mobile app](#). Tips can be submitted by visiting [www.tipsubmit.com](http://www.tipsubmit.com), or by texting the word "**CRIMES**" (274637) with the keyword **SPDVATIP**. TipSoft also supports users' ability to submit videos or photos using the TipSoft mobile app. If information leads to an arrest, the caller or "tipster" could qualify for a reward of up to \$1,000.

## UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (October 30, 2015) Suffolk Police advise that the victim in this evening's undetermined death investigation has been identified as William Howard Batchelor, age 68, of Suffolk.

The investigation remains ongoing at this time. No further information is available.

## **POLICE INVESTIGATING UNDETERMINED DEATH**

SUFFOLK, Virginia (October 30, 2015) Suffolk Police are currently on scene investigating an undetermined death at the Econo Lodge located in the 1500 block of Holland Road/Route 58.

Emergency Communications received the call at 5:15 p.m. and once on scene Officers found an adult male that was obviously deceased.

Detectives are continuing their investigation into this incident and the official cause of death will be determined by the Medical Examiner's Office.

As more information becomes available, an update will follow.

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