



## Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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### Media Release

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**From:** Denise M. Moloney  
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**Re:** Detectives Investigating Homicide in Spring Hill

**Date:** February 23, 2021

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On 02-22-2021 just before 10:30 p.m., Hernando County Sheriff's deputies responded to a residence on Greenbrier Court in Spring Hill after having received information that a "dead body" was located there.

Upon arrival, deputies made contact with three individuals inside the residence. After speaking briefly with these individuals, the deputies were escorted through the residence. Almost immediately, deputies discovered a male, who was deceased, in one of the rooms. Obvious signs of homicidal violence were present.

The investigation is still very active; therefore, limited information will be released at this time.

A suspect, who was present in the residence when deputies arrived, has been placed under arrest. There are no other known suspects at large, at this time. There is no known threat to the community.

The suspect and the victim were known to each other.

The victim will not be identified as per Marsy's Law. The victim's next of kin has been notified.

More information may be released as the investigation progresses.

***The Office of Sheriff:***

***The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts,***

***and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.***

***Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, ran unopposed in 2016, and was re-elected in 2020. Sheriff Nienhuis remains accountable to the people of Hernando County.***