FBI offers \$20,000 reward for info leading to arrest of man indicted in New Bedford for murder

*Armed and Dangerous**

The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Boston Division, the Norton Police Department, and the Massachusetts State Police assigned to the Bristol County District Attorney's Office are asking for the public's assistance in locating longtime fugitive Andrew P. Dabbs, who is wanted for allegedly murdering his girlfriend on October 10, 1981. Dabbs should be considered armed and dangerous.

This year marks the 40th anniversary of the murder and the FBI is offering a reward of up to \$20,000 payable to anyone who can provide information about his current whereabouts.



FBI photo.

Andrew Peter Dabbs, also known as Peter Dabbs, is wanted for the murder of Robin A. Shea. The couple was driving through Norton, Massachusetts, when Dabbs allegedly shot Shea in the chest with a .45 caliber revolver and pushed her body out of the vehicle onto the side of Route 123, where she was later found by a passing motorist.

On November 3, 1981, Dabbs was indicted for murder by the

Bristol County Superior Court in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and a state warrant was issued for his arrest. On September 20, 1982, a federal arrest warrant was issued for Dabbs by a United States Magistrate in the District of Massachusetts, after he was charged with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

Dabbs is a Black male with brown eyes and would now be 78 years old. At the time of the murder, he weighed approximately 180 pounds and was approximately 5'10" tall. He had a mole on the right side of his nose, a scar on his arm, and skin grafts on his leg from a burn. Dabbs was an auto mechanic and may have possessed weapons and was known to use drugs. His last known address was in Derry, New Hampshire, but he also has ties to Massachusetts, Colorado, Florida, Indiana, New York, and Pennsylvania.



WANTED BY THE FBI

ANDREW P. DABBS

Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution - Murder



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Photograph age progressed to 78 years old

DESCRIPTION

Aliases: Peter Dabbs, Peter Andrew Dabbs, Andrew Dabbs	
Date(s) of Birth Used: December 10, 1942	Place of Birth: Virginia
Hair: Dark - May be Gray	Eyes: Brown
Height: 5'10"	Weight: 180 pounds
Sex: Male	Race: Black
Occupation: Auto Mechanic	Nationality: American
Scars and Marks: Dabbs has a mole on his nose, a scar on his arm, and skin grafts on his leg from a burn.	NCIC: W504478133

REWARD

The FBI is offering a reward of up to \$20,000 payable to anyone who can provide information about the current whereabouts of Andrew P. Dabbs.

REMARKS

Dabbs was known to use drugs and may have possessed weapons in the past. His last known address was in Derry, New Hampshire, and he has ties to Florida, New York, Pennsylvania, Indiana, Massachusetts, and Colorado.

CAUTION

Andrew P. Dabbs is wanted for allegedly murdering his girlfriend on October 10, 1981. The couple was driving through Norton, Massachusetts, from their apartment in Derry, New Hampshire, when Dabbs allegedly shot the victim in the chest with a .45 caliber revolver and pushed her body out of the car onto the side of Route 123. On November 3, 1981, Dabbs was indicted for murder by the Bristol Superior Court in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and a state warrant was issued for his arrest. On September 20, 1982, a federal arrest warrant was issued for Dabbs by a United States Magistrate in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, after he was charged with unlawful flight to avoid prosecution.

SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND DANGEROUS

If you have any information concerning this person, please contact your local FBI office or the nearest American Embassy or Consulate. Field Office: Boston

FBI photo.

"Someone out there knows where Andrew Dabbs is, and we're asking you to contact us. We are in the final stages of this investigation and we're doing everything we can bring him to justice and provide some much-needed closure to Robin's family who has already endured enough heartache," said Joseph R. Bonavolonta, Special Agent in Charge of the FBI Boston Division.

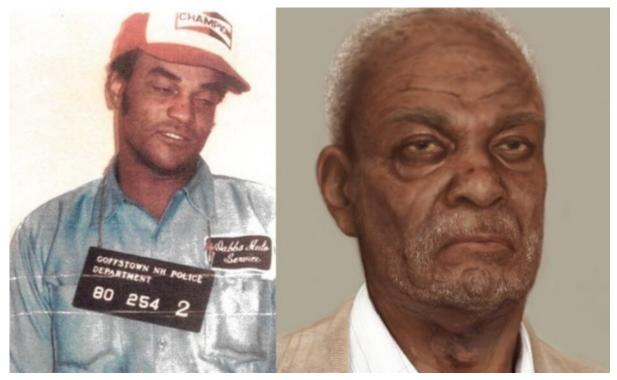
Robin Shea's sister, Joyce Carter, added, "The reality is that this is really unfinished, it's unfinished in the sense that I'm talking about it and he's out there somewhere. Maybe he's dead, and if he is, I would love to know that, I would love to know more of that detail, and if he isn't dead, if he's alive, he needs to pay for what he did."

The public is being asked to review Dabbs' wanted poster which includes an age-progressed photo, depicting what he may look like at 78-years-old.

Photos of Robin Shea are attached and a portion of an oncamera interview with her sister Joyce Carter can be downloaded here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eY6KXJ9k6HM.

A vodcast can be viewed here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sw2piv4FSgM.

The FBI is offering a monetary reward of up to \$20,000 for information leading to the location, arrest, and prosecution of Andrew P. Dabbs. Anyone with information should call the FBI at 1-800-CALL-FBI (1-800-225-5324). Tips can also be electronically submitted at tips.fbi.gov.



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