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TABITHA SHUCK RAINES

Tabitha Shuck Raines was murdered on October 2, 2002, in Tipton Indiana at just 16 years old.

She was found in Cicero Creek, beaten and with a GSW to her forehead.

Several people were charged in connection with her death.

One was found not guilty, and charges against two others were later dropped or severely reduced. In the end, no one has been held responsible for her murder.

At first glance, this may appear to be a closed case with an unfortunate "not-guilty" verdict, but.. it isn't that simple.

Questions remain.

For instance.. Investigators collected biological evidence, including items that contained DNA.

Approximately **5 unknown DNA samples did not match any of the suspects who were charged.** Other evidence such as strands of hair, were preserved for future testing as technology advanced. These items remain in evidence at the Indiana State Police Laboratory.

Between the conflicting accounts, the lack of a confirmed offender, and DNA that does not match any of the original suspects, there are still significant unanswered questions about what happened-and who was truly responsible.

What happened to Tabi?
Her family deserves to know.