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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **DEATH AND HOMICIDE INVESTIGATIONS CLASS OFFERED BY PUTNAM COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

PUTNAM COUNTY, TN – The Putnam County Sheriff's Office is hosting a three-day Death and Homicide Investigations class this week taught by nationally known instructor, Tony Monheim, who retired from the Miami-Dade Police Department in 2004 after a 30-year career. For the past eleven years, Monheim has toured the country teaching in approximately 150 cities and educating thousands of homicide investigators and coroners, as well as detectives and uniform patrol who are interested in entering the field of death investigations.

This week's class includes 29 students from agencies throughout the region from Virginia to Memphis, Tennessee. Local agencies participating are the Putnam County Sheriff's Office, Cookeville Police Department, Algood Police Department and Putnam County EMS/Coroner's Office.

"I am pleased that we were able to offer such high quality training this week for the benefit of our county as well as others in the region," said Sheriff Eddie Farris. "We plan to do this more often. It is perfectly aligned with our Mission and Vision to enhance the level of professionalism of our Department and be a leader in law enforcement in Tennessee."

Topics covered in the course include: manner of death, equivocal death, infant death (SIDS & child abuse), death by poisoning, asphyxiation/suffocation/drowning, electrocutions/lightning strikes, fire deaths, suicides, autoerotic death, time of death, modes of death, the autopsy, skeletal remains, decomposition, gunshot wounds, stabbing/cutting/chopping, strangulation, case studies and more.

The class will run through Wednesday of this week. For more information, please contact the Putnam County Sheriff's Office at (931) 528-8484.

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