

**Connecticut State Police  
Central District Major Crime Squad  
News Release**

**Date of Release:** July 21, 2004

**Date of Investigation:** Tuesday, July 20, 2004

**Time of Investigation:** 0614 hours

**Place of Investigation:** Old Lyme, Connecticut

**Summary of  
Investigation:**

On the above date and time, Troop F personnel, along with EMS personnel, responded to an Old Lyme residence in reference to a 911 call. The 911 caller informed police that as he was out for his early morning walk, he passed by a residence in his neighborhood and found an elderly couple apparently deceased in their vehicle as it was parked in their driveway. The elderly couple was subsequently pronounced deceased at the scene by EMS personnel.

The Central District Major Crime Squad was requested to process the scene and to conduct a complete and thorough investigation into the deaths of this elderly couple. In addition, personnel from the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner responded to the scene and removed the bodies. Autopsies for both parties are pending.

On 07/21/04, the Office on the Chief Medical Examiner conducted post mortem examinations of the victims involved in this investigation. The Medical Examiners Office concluded that both victims died of carbon monoxide poisoning. The victims have been identified as Charles Doughty (02/27/39) and Constance Doughty (04/04/26), both of 3 River Road in Old Lyme, Connecticut. Investigators assigned to this case have found no criminal aspect with respect to the two deaths.