

Scott Smith Whitley County Coroner

101 W. Market Street Columbia City, Indiana 46725 Telephone (260) 244-6410 Fax (260) 625-1063 wccoroner@whitleygov.com

Press Release

On Monday 03/14/2022 the Whitley County Coroner was notified of a person deceased along the roadway on County Road 700E between State Road 14 and County Road 500 South in Whitley County.

An autopsy was performed at Northeast Indiana Forensic Center on 03/15/2022 and the Preliminary report has been filed with the Whitley County Coroner's Office.

The victim was preliminary identified as Curtis Edward Thomas 30 of Fort Wayne IN. The Whitley County Coroner has ruled the Cause of Death: Gunshot wound of the chest, the Manner of Death: Homicide.

Investigating the scene Indiana State Police, Whitley County Sheriff's Department and Whitley County Coroner's Office.

Scott A Smith Coroner