



**PRESS RELEASE**

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**TYPE OF CRIME:** Murder / Suicide  
**LOCATION:** 9400 Block of Rodeo Dr.  
**VICTIM:** See Update below  
**SUSPECT:** Christopher Shimek

**CASE NUMBER:** 11-5027  
**DATE:** 11/27/11 **TIME:** 2133  
**DOB:** 09/25/1960

**Update 11/28/11 1450 hours**

At the request of several media outlets we have conducted a search from 2004 until now. This would be our earliest record for the residence in question. On 3/6/07 GPD responded to a call in which Christopher Shimek allegedly hit a step son "in a rage". Lynn Shimek requested that an officer speak with her and a child. Lynn Shimek did not want any further police action and this contact was documented on a field interview card and the computer aided dispatch system.

**UPDATE 11/28/11 1305 hours:**

The victim in this case has been positively identified as 43 year old Lynn Shimek, the wife of suspect Christopher Shimek.

A search for calls for service to the home from 1/1/10 to now revealed no calls for police service relating to domestic violence or domestic disturbances.

Thank you for your patience as this investigation unfolds. I will send updates as new information becomes available.

**Details**

On 11/27/11 at approximately 2139 hours GPD officers responded to the 9400 Block of Rodeo Dr. to check the welfare of the occupants of a residence. This welfare check was requested by family and friends of the suspect and victim after family and friends could not get ahold of anyone at the residence.

GPD officers responded to the residence and found the 43 year old female victim deceased. GPD officers also found suspect Shimek deceased from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound. There were no other people in the residence.

Suspect Shimek was a San Jose Police Sergeant. He was hired by the San Jose Police Department in 1995.

**For Media inquiries about Shimek's employment status please contact SJPD Sgt. Jason Dwyer at 408-409-5339. For Media inquiries about the criminal investigation please contact GPD Captain Jim Gillio at 408-846-0347.**