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**INTERVIEW WITH**

**Q=Sergeant Brown**

**Q1=Sergeant Omori**

**A=**

**A1=**

Q: 913, 1120 hours, ATC neighbors Titus. Hello, good morning, how are you?

A: Pretty good.

Q: I see you guys are on your way out.

A: Yeah, you want to talk to us?

Q: Yeah, I mean, maybe just a couple minutes of your time, is that okay?

A: That's fine, I'm just picking my parents up for lunch.

Q: Oh.

A: We're good.

A1: Don't, don't...

A: (Unintelligible).

A1: Don't - be careful right there.

A: Yeah. You could trip. Thank goodness for backup cameras.

Q: Yeah, no kidding, right?

INTERVIEW WITH

Interviewer: Sergeant Brown

9-13/11:20 am

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42 A: I can't do this by myself without back up cameras. I have to tell you how  
43 freaked out I am. stop. No, just stop. Please stop (unintelligible).  
44  
45 Q: Good morning, sir.  
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47 A1: Good morning.  
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49 Q: Sergeant Brown, Sergeant Omori. We're the Sheriff's Office.  
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51 A1: I - I see.  
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53 Q: Uh, we're the Detectives handling, uh, the - the case here.  
54  
55 A1: Yeah.  
56  
57 Q: Just was kind of hoping maybe to get, you know, um, clearly you guys are  
58 neighbors.  
59  
60 A1: Yeah.  
61  
62 Q: Just maybe some information, how well you knew your neighbors, how long  
63 maybe you've been neighbors, things like that.  
64  
65 A1: Mm-hm.  
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67 Q: Uh, first off, your name, sir?  
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69 A1:  
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71 Q:  
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73 Q1: (Unintelligible).  
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75 Q:  
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77 A1:  
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79 Q:  
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81 A1: Yeah.  
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83 Q:  
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85 A1:  
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87 A:  
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89 Q:  
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91 A1:           Yeah.  
92  
93 Q:           Pleasure to meet you both. Um, sorry it's under these circumstances.  
94  
95 A1:           Yeah.  
96  
97 Q:           Um, but how well did you know your neighbors?  
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99 A1:           Um, well, we've lived here for 24 years, uh, so 22 years, something like that,  
100           and we've been neighbors the whole time.  
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102 Q:           They've lived here...  
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104 A1:           They've lived...  
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106 Q:           ...the whole time?  
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108 A1:           ...here the whole time.  
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110 Q:           Okay.  
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112 A1:           Um, and we've been friendly with them on and off throughout the years, um,  
113           have been good neighbors...  
114  
115 Q:           Uh-huh.  
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117 A1:           ...um, and such. Um, I know that (Gene) was a little bit of a curmudgeon kind  
118           of guy, very firm in his beliefs and stuff like that. And yet we always got  
119           along with him well. Um, he had a couple of run-ins with our son...  
120  
121 Man:          Um, um.  
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123 Q:           Okay.  
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125 A1: ...but that's just things that happened before, but, uh, things had gotten better.  
126  
127 Q: Anything over the top at all?  
128  
129 A: Yeah. Well, recently, our son had (unintelligible).  
130  
131 A1: Tried to figure out...  
132  
133 A: Several times, okay?  
134  
135 Q: Oh okay.  
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137 A:  
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139 Q: Oh good.  
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141 A: But, anyhow, um, but, so, and (Gene) had a - a son that has similar issues that  
142 he cut out of his life.  
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144 Q: Right.  
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146 A1:  
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148 A: I know - T- we've talked to them and, um, and so I think he kind of saw that in  
149 and he - he kind of empathized with us because of what we were going  
150 through and...  
151  
152 Q: Right.  
153  
154 A: ...but he kind of had a thing for So the big truck is my son's truck and  
155 I think it was about a year ago got it on video because - (Gene)  
156 came out with a bat and when was leaving and, uh, it's a loud truck.  
157 But he got in and turned it on, and he was over here on our, you know not in  
158 front of their house, and he came over, and he said, "You turned your lights  
159 on, on purpose." And he goes, "No dude I just turned the car on." And he was  
160 thre- he stuck the bat in the car and was like, "Dude just shut the  
161 door." You could tell he was afraid and was afraid and - and he said,  
162 um, you know, "Come out here like a man." Or whatever and said,  
163 "Dude just let me go." And so that was pretty over the top, um, and I just said,  
164 "Just stay out of his way." I think he's - has dementia. That's - my - my parents  
165 both have dementia. That's - we're going to pick them up for lunch and I just  
166 think he was stuck in an angry place, and I was walking the dog, and he

167 flashed the flashlight at me, and then he said, "Are you going to clean that shit  
168 up after you're done." And I go, "Yeah, (Gene)." You know, "No, problem."  
169 And he - he kept flashing the light at me. So I just have a feeling and she - she  
170 walks a lot.

171

172 Q: Yeah.

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174 A: And we talked to her because he really doesn't come out of the house very  
175 much at all. You know his yard used to be immaculate.

176

177 Q: Oh, yeah.

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179 A: And he let the weeds grow up like that. We offered to have the gardener cut it  
180 down and stuff. She said, "Oh no, it's (Gene)'s yard you know, you can't touch  
181 his yard." You know?

182

183 A1: Yeah. And she was Japanese and had a really hard time with the English  
184 language.

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186 Q: Right.

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188 A1: So trying to explain some of that to us was hard because we were trying to  
189 pick every second or...

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191 Q: Right.

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193 A1: ...third word out so.

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195 A: But she said, "He sleeps all the time, and he - he gets angry, and sometimes  
196 I'm afraid." And I said - I said, "You know if you ever are afraid, you can  
197 come to our house." This was in the last five months. And so I was a little bit  
198 concerned. And...

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200 Q: Right.

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202 A: ...when they said last night when they stopped and knocked on the door and  
203 said they're doing a welfare check. You know, and it's really - because...

204

205 Child: Ouch.

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207 A: ...we've been gone for two weeks. We just got back last night. So, um, so in  
208 that way...

209  
210 Child: All of them (unintelligible).  
211  
212 A: ...and I know he had guns over there. And that even kind of freaked me out. I  
213 was like, oh no. Um, so I was kind of worried for my son. He wasn't living  
214 here, you know, recently. Um, so I was kind of glad that - yeah.  
215  
216 Q: Um, prior to (Gene)'s, um, I mean you mentioned dementia. Um, maybe...  
217  
218 A: That's just my opinion. It's not...  
219  
220 Q: Opinion, I get that.  
221  
222 A: It's not...  
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224 A1: Yeah.  
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226 Q: I get that.  
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228 A: It's not...  
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230 Q: I get that, um, uh, uh, and I understand, you know that - that will progress, you  
231 know as time...  
232  
233 A: Yeah.  
234  
235 Q: ...goes on. But prior to maybe the - the start of this, you know progression,  
236 um, did - did he have many anger issues? Was this incident with uh,  
237 after this - these issues started happening or was that prior to?  
238  
239 A: Kind of in the middle - middle.  
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241 A1: Kind of in the middle. has had issues since he was 17 up until about  
242 six or seven months ago when he finally figured out life. But, um, he and  
243 would have battles periodically, more verbal than anything else.  
244  
245 Q: Uh-huh.  
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247 A1: But...  
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249 A: Not too much.  
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251 A1: But like not too much. But he always treated us well. I think he felt sorry for  
252 us because he had gone through the same thing...  
253  
254 Q: Same...  
255  
256 A1: ...with his son.  
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258 Q: Yeah.  
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260 A1: So...  
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262 A: Always gruff with her.  
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264 A1: Yeah, he's always gruff with her. She was very submissive...  
265  
266 Man: Uh, I don't know. Last night I...  
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268 A1: ...to him. He always ruled the roost. Whatever he said, she would do. Um, we  
269 were doing some tree trimming three or four months ago, and he was getting  
270 mad at her because she was trimming the tree and...  
271  
272 Q: Oh.  
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274 A1: ...told her not to. And it was just always like a one-sided relationship it  
275 seemed like. He was the man of the house. He was the one dominant. She  
276 didn't speak English very well. She was very submissive. But she'd be out here  
277 working in the yard in 80, 90 degree heat. And she's 91 or 92 years old.  
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279 Q: Right, right.  
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281 A1: And he wouldn't come out to help her. He just...  
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283 A: I think he...  
284  
285 A1: ...would not come out of the house.  
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287 A: ...would come out, it was - that was late though.  
288  
289 A1: Yeah.  
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291 A: She said he slept all day.  
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293 Q: Other than - than maybe his deteriorating, you know, mental, uh, health, uh,  
294 did he have any other medical problems or conditions that you guys were  
295 aware of?  
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297 A1: Um, he had a motorcycle accident five or six years ago which put him in the  
298 hospital, um, but other than that, that was the only, um, serious thing that we  
299 heard anything about.  
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301 Q: So in maybe, you know, submissive fashion, would it be unusual then to hear  
302 like verbal arguments coming from there?  
303

304 A: Uh, in the - if we were in the backyard.  
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306 A1: Yeah.  
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308 A: He would, I mean, he would like she was digging a hole or something in the  
309 back. This is many years ago, but he's stupid. I mean, he - he really...  
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311 A1: Verbally abusive.  
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313 A: It was - it was pretty bad.  
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315 Man: Gentleman...  
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317 Q: Pretty constant?  
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319 A: I don't - we don't - I don't remember ever hearing yelling coming from the  
320 inside of the house or slamming doors or anything like that, but I know he  
321 was...  
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323 Q: And that would be pretty constant?  
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325 A: Uh, we would hear it.  
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327 Q: Would it be a one-sided thing?  
328

329 Man: Huh?  
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331 A: Oh yeah.  
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333 A1: Oh yeah.  
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335 A: I never heard her.  
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337 A1: Yeah, never heard her say anything.  
338  
339 A: I never heard her say anything.  
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341 Q: With - with her, uh, her - her language, uh, barrier did he speak Japanese?  
342  
343 Man: Hello?  
344  
345 A: I don't know.  
346  
347 A1: I - I don't know if he did or not.  
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349 A: Her mother lived there for, um, any - a number of years when we first moved  
350 in. She was living there in the front bedroom I think. And, um, I don't think  
351 she spoke any English. So I don't know if (Gene) spoke Japanese or not. I'm  
352 assuming that maybe he did. But...  
353  
354 A1: I never heard him any Japanese.  
355  
356 A: I - I don't know.  
357  
358 Q: Because we've spoken to her and yeah, it's - it's very tough.  
359  
360 A: It's hard. Yeah.  
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362 Q: It's very tough.  
363  
364 A1: Yeah. Yeah.  
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366 Q: So I just was curious because I know they've been married quite some time.  
367  
368 A: Yeah.  
369  
370 A1: Yeah.  
371  
372 Q: Um, how in almost 60 years...  
373  
374 A: Yeah.  
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376 Q: ...you know, the communication was there. Um...

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378 A1: Yeah.

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380 Q: ...and they just have the one son, correct?

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382 A: They have a daughter I think in...

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384 A1:

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386 A: or something. But I think they have grandkids. There's pictures  
387 in there with grandkids. I - I think they have a daughter. Um, that's who I  
388 thought maybe had called. Like maybe, she called her and said that (Gene)'s  
389 got a gun, or he's beating me up. I don't even know. I mean, I - you know, you  
390 don't know. But I think the daughter lives not too far away. But I could be  
391 totally wrong. Because I know they've come to visit.

392

393 Q: Yeah.

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395 A: And because we put a shed up, and they said oh - or an umbrella, and they  
396 said, "Can you not put it there because she's coming to visit." Or something.

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398 Q: Did you ever happen to - to see any of his guns at all?

399

400 A: No.

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402 A1: No.

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404 Q: Um, were you ever having a chance to go inside their - their house?

405

406 A1: Yeah.

407

408 A: Yes.

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410 Man: All right. Bye.

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412 Q: Did you see any lying around or...

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414 A1: No.

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416 Q: ...maybe displayed in any way?

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418 A1: No. Um...  
419  
420 A: We were more looking at her Japanese artwork.  
421  
422 A1: Yeah, um, we pretty much - or at least I - I went to the kitchen, all the family  
423 room, dining room, the living room area, the master bedroom, the hallway, the  
424 bathroom. Um, the bedroom on this side, I don't think I went into except to  
425 look at one picture that he had - he had...  
426  
427 Man: Turn in right here.  
428  
429 A1: ...up on the wall. He was always, when we'd go over and talk to him, he'd  
430 always say, "Come on in, have some tea." And always wanted to talk, and so  
431 it was more like a half hour visit whenever you'd go over, you'd just ask him if  
432 he's okay.  
433  
434 Q: But very cordial?  
435  
436 A: I know the gun thing...  
437  
438 A1: Yes.  
439  
440 A: Yeah.  
441  
442 A1: He, uh...  
443  
444 A: I know the gun thing he - because he shot a heron in his backyard.  
445  
446 Q: Oh.  
447  
448 A: And he was telling me and that's an early indicator...  
449  
450 A1: Yeah.  
451  
452 A: ...um, that it was trying to get his Koi fish because the Koi pond...  
453  
454 Q: Right.  
455  
456 A: ...used to be full of beautiful Koi and, um, he said oh, and he's telling me  
457 about this and how he shot the heron and how it was hiding behind the tree  
458 and how he was shooting. I was like I don't want to hear this, but I'm slightly

459 going oh okay. So I think maybe that's where I got the gun reference was  
460 when he said that.  
461  
462 Q: Were there any issues over that incident with any of the other neighbors? The  
463 heron.  
464  
465 A: Did they say anything about that?  
466  
467 A1: Not - not that I...  
468  
469 A: It might have been because...  
470  
471 Man: The, uh...  
472  
473 A: ...I think there were different, I know there were different back door  
474 neighbors.  
475  
476 Q: At the time?  
477  
478 A: At that point.  
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480 A1: Over the years.  
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482 A: And...  
483  
484 A1: Yeah.  
485  
486 A: ...I think  
487  
488 A1: Yeah.  
489  
490 A: ...probably moved in around the same time as we did, so I - I'm not sure.  
491  
492 Q: How long ago was that incident?  
493  
494 A: That was probably - it was when we had our (unintelligible).  
495  
496 A1: Late 90's.  
497  
498 Q: Oh, a while ago then?  
499

500 A1: Yeah.  
501  
502 A: Yeah, it was a long time ago.  
503  
504 A1: Yeah. It was - it was quite a while ago.  
505  
506 A: Yeah. So I think...  
507  
508 Q: Before I forget to ask, did the - the sheriff's office come out for the incident  
509 between him - he and The - the - with the truck?  
510  
511 A: No, was like, "Oh, I don't want to call the cops all that."  
512  
513 A1: This is before kind of straightened up.  
514  
515 Q: Right.  
516  
517 A: Yeah.  
518  
519 A1: So he really didn't want to talk to any cops. He...  
520  
521 Q: Understood.  
522  
523 A1: ...didn't want...  
524  
525 A: Yeah.  
526  
527 A1: ...anything to do with it. Because he...  
528  
529 A: But he kept the video.  
530  
531 A1: ...felt like he was going to get...  
532  
533 Q: He still has it?  
534  
535 A1: He has an audio.  
536  
537 A: I have it.  
538  
539 Q: Oh, you have it.  
540

541 A1: He has an audio.  
542  
543 A: It's a video.  
544  
545 A1: Oh, it's a video?  
546  
547 A: I think it's a video.  
548  
549 A1: Oh, okay. I just remembered the (unintelligible).  
550  
551 A: No. I think it's a video. I have it on my phone. It's pretty scary.  
552  
553 Child: (Unintelligible).  
554  
555 Q: I understand.  
556  
557 A: I mean is being kind of a little bit of a jerk saying old man and stuff  
558 but...  
559  
560 A1: But he stayed in his car, he did not get out at all.  
561  
562 Q: Do you have any problems with, uh, (Gene) and Their son.  
563  
564 A: Oh no, we never met him.  
565  
566 A1: We never met him.  
567  
568 A: He was gone before we moved in.  
569  
570 Q: Oh really?  
571  
572 A1: Yeah.  
573  
574 Q: Oh, it's been that long.  
575  
576 A1: It's been long.  
577  
578 Q: She wasn't sure, but she said it had been some time.  
579  
580 A: Yeah.  
581  
582 A1: Yeah. I - the impression I got was well before we moved in.

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584 Q: Really?

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586 A1: Yeah. It's been...

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588 A: I'm almost positive.

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590 A1: ...a long time.

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592 A: Because and he just had no use for him at all. And he said, "Oh, she was softer  
593 than, um, me." You know, and you could tell, uh, he was really hurt by that  
594 whole thing. It was - yeah.

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596 Q: Did he talk about much?

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598 A1: I don't know...

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600 A: Um, I don't know who that is.

601

602 A1: ...no

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604 Q: His granddaughter.

605

606 A: Oh, I don't know if that's - is that - I - well I don't know if it's from the son or  
607 if it's from the daughter. I think - I think there's a daughter. I'm not positive.

608

609 Q: Uh, we noticed he has a couple, uh, of surveillance cameras out there. Do you  
610 folks have any surveillance cameras? Do you know when it was? Maybe he  
611 put those cameras up?

612

613 A: No, I don't.

614

615 A1: (Unintelligible), uh, no.

616

617 Q: Did he speak much about - worrying about intruders, worrying about  
618 burglaries in the area? Did it bother him much? Did he say much about it?

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620 A1: Well, we didn't really see him...

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622 A: We haven't talked...

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624 A1: ...much in...

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626 A: ...in the last year?

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628 A1: Yeah, especially the last two or three months. He would not...

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630 Q: But he stayed inside?

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632 A: Yeah.

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634 A1: He stayed inside or...

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636 A: She said, "He was sleeping all the time." She made him a New Year's dinner,  
637 prime rib, and she said, "I made all of this, his favorite foods and all this  
638 stuff." And then she said, "We ate a box of chocolate, and he got mad at me  
639 for - we had to throw it out." So we haven't seen him, like I said...

640

641 A1: Yeah.

642

643 A: ...we were, you know, kind of concerned because we hadn't seen him at all in  
644 the yard. And just went to the pond.

645

646 A1:

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650 A: That was last time?

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652 A1: So, uh, yeah. That was probably the last time I talked to him. That was...

653

654 Q: How long ago was that?

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656 A1: Four or five months ago.

657

658 Q: Oh wow. Pretty thoughtful though.

659

660 A1: Very thoughtful.

661

662 A: Yes. Very thoughtful.

663

664 A1: That's why for - for us, he was fine. He was just short-tempered.

665

666 A: He liked to us, I think.



667

668 A1: Yeah.

669

670 A: Yeah. You know, the two of us.

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672 Q: Any problems with any of the other neighbors that you're aware of?

673

674 A1: Not...

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676 A: Is he (unintelligible).

677

678 A1: Not that I'm aware of.

679

680 Q: Uh, I'm going to give you my - my business card.

681

682 A1: Okay.

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684 Q: Uh, but I'm doing it for a reason. The email address is on the bottom there.

685

686 A1: Okay.

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688 Q: I would really like that video or audio...

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690 A: Okay. Yeah.

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692 Q: ...whatever it is, if that's okay.

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694 A: Yeah, that's fine.

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696 Q: Um, and I know - and just so you know, um...

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698 A1: (Unintelligible).

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700 Q: ...I'm not real sure how to pronounce her name.

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702 A1:

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704 Q:

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706 A1: I think it's

707

708 Q: Yeah, she - she's - she's not here. She's not going to be here, uh, for a couple  
709 days.  
710  
711 A1: Okay.  
712  
713 Q: Um, uh, she's with a - a - I think it's a mutual family friend that she's...  
714  
715 A1: Okay.  
716  
717 Q: ...staying with.  
718  
719 A: Okay.  
720  
721 Q: Um, but, um, when she comes back, she'll - she'll - she'll be by herself. Uh...  
722  
723 A: Yeah.  
724  
725 Q: Uh, so, um, don't be surprised if maybe she's...  
726  
727 A: She doesn't cry.  
728  
729 Q: ...you know maybe looking for help. Or...  
730  
731 A: Yeah.  
732  
733 Q: ...you know...  
734  
735 A1: Yeah.  
736  
737 Q: ...hopefully somebody - some kind of family member will come and offer  
738 some kind of help.  
739  
740 A: Yeah.  
741  
742 Q: Um...  
743  
744 A: With the...  
745  
746 Q1: Were you guys home yesterday evening?  
747  
748 A1: Yes.  
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750 Q1: Did you hear what was going on out here?  
751  
752 A: Kind of.  
753  
754 Q1: With - with our deputies?  
755  
756 A1: Sort of, um, they knocked on our door, um, and asked for a phone number or  
757 asked if we had seen him. And I said, "No, we had just come back from two  
758 weeks overseas." And - and then he said, "Well, do you have a phone number  
759 for him?" So I went inside, got the phone number, and - and it was the same  
760 number that they had been trying to call. Um, so he said, "Thank you." And I  
761 stood out in the road on the front walkway and noticed all the commotion  
762 going on. Um, and then I did hear the pops go off.  
763  
764 A: Wait, you - you told me that you told him that he had dementia.  
765  
766 A1: Yes, I told him that he did have dementia or - or that - that I thought he had  
767 dementia.  
768  
769 Q1: What time about did they come and speak with you guys?  
770  
771 A: Was it (unintelligible).  
772  
773 A1: A little bit before 8:00.  
774  
775 A: We were asleep because we were jet-lagged.  
776  
777 Q: I'm sure.  
778  
779 A: So we were kind of like...  
780  
781 A1: Yeah.  
782  
783 Q1: Yeah.  
784  
785 A: ...half - half awake. I heard the knock on the door, the door- doorbell, right  
786 away I go, someone's at the door. Go get."  
787  
788 A1: Yeah.  
789  
790 A: "Go answer." So that's - and then you came out.  
791

792 A1: Right.  
793  
794 A: And then I...  
795  
796 A1: And talked to them.  
797  
798 A: Then he came in looking for the number and said, "There's a welfare check."  
799 So then I got worried. So then I got up, and I was kind of going down the side  
800 of the house. There the - the back part of the house that is by there. That  
801 comes out to this front bedroom. And I thought I heard - and which probably  
802 was gunshot maybe or something. I don't know. I thought I heard tapping.  
803 Maybe it was just tapping on the windows. I thought I heard tap, tap, tap, tap,  
804 tap. Like the police were maybe trying to wake somebody up.  
805  
806 Q1: Mm-hm.  
807  
808 A: And that's all I heard was...  
809  
810 Q1: When you heard...  
811  
812 A: ...the - I heard...  
813  
814 Q1: ...the tapping did you hear any verbal sheriff's office?  
815  
816 A: No.  
817  
818 Q1: Did you hear announcing who was there anything like that?  
819  
820 A: I - I didn't hear any voices, I just heard some tapping. And whether or not that  
821 was gunshots and I just heard tapping or whether it was tapping on the  
822 window, I - I could not say. And I didn't hear any voices at all from - and we  
823 had our - that side windows were shut.  
824  
825 A1: Yeah.  
826  
827 A: We had our other window open, but that's all. Did - what - and then he was  
828 out here.  
829  
830 Q1: What - what - what's your name, sir again?  
831  
832 A1:  
833

834 Q1:  
835  
836 A1: Yeah.  
837  
838 Q1: Can you walk us through when, after the deputies left initially...  
839  
840 A1: Okay.  
841  
842 Q1: ...asking for his phone number...  
843  
844 A1: Right.  
845  
846 Q1: ...and contact information and whatnot, you - you said you stood out on your  
847 walkway in your robe.  
848  
849 A1: Yeah, we were...  
850  
851 Q1: Walk me through from that point on to what you heard, what you saw, um...  
852  
853 A1: Okay.  
854  
855 Q1: ...as far as their contact at the house after that.  
856  
857 A1: Um, what remember, again being half asleep.  
858  
859 Q1: Mm-hm.  
860  
861 Q: Mm-hm.  
862  
863 A1: Um, and whatever, I gave him the number, I was about equal with the birch  
864 tree...  
865  
866 Q1: Okay.  
867  
868 A1: ...in the walkway. We both walked out to here, and he explained he was trying  
869 to get the welfare check and they - they were going to try to call again. Thank  
870 you very much for your help. So I stood at where the brickwork crosses with  
871 the planter box. I stood there for a few minutes.  
872  
873 Q1: Okay.  
874

875 A1: I'm thinking five minutes or so, observing the number of cars that were here,  
876 thinking that was unusual just for the welfare check to have so many cars  
877 here. Then I noticed the police, I think three gentlemen walking up the  
878 driveway. And I kept looking around, and then I heard pop, pop, pop, pop.  
879 Thinking, I'm not sure what that exactly is, but it sort of sounded like gunfire.  
880 And at that point I went back in the house because I didn't want to be involved  
881 in it or get - if something was...  
882

883 Q1: Okay.  
884

885 A1: ...being carried out.  
886

887 A: But then you saw her come out quickly with people.  
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889 A1: Right, and we were in the front bedroom kind of peering out the window to  
890 kind of see what was going on. And then I saw her come out with two  
891 officers, I think, either one or two officers, just to get her out of the area and  
892 put her in the back seat of the car and - and be able to give her a space blanket  
893 or whatever to try to keep her warm. But she was talking...  
894

895 A: And then did you see them...  
896

897 A1: ...but it was...  
898

899 A: ...going fast after that?  
900

901 A1: No, this was before the pop, pop, pop.  
902

903 A: You saw them going fast?  
904

905 A1: Yes.  
906

907 A: Not just walk up?  
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909 A1: More - more - more than just a walk, yet it was not a run.  
910

911 Q1: So how - I'm very interested when you saw three deputies walk up the  
912 driveway.  
913

914 A1: Mm-hm.  
915

916 Q1: How soon thereafter would you estimate you heard the pop, pop, pop, pop?

917  
918 A1: I - not sure I could say. I think it was fairly rapidly, 30 seconds a minute, a  
919 minute and a half, something like that, but I could be wrong because again, I  
920 was having sleep be- because of the jet lag.  
921  
922 Q1: Right. And can you tell me about maybe the tempo of the - the gunshots that  
923 you heard? Did they seem to be very tightly grouped in rapid succession or  
924 were they pop, pop, pop?  
925  
926 A1: No, it wasn't slow. It was fairly rapid.  
927  
928 Q1: It was - was it all in succession? Kind of in a...  
929  
930 A1: Kind of like a machine gun kind of thing, but it was a pop, pop, pop, pop, pop  
931 and that was it.  
932  
933 Q1: Okay.  
934  
935 A1: I don't know four or five it would be hard for me to remember.  
936  
937 Q1: Four or five though approximately?  
938  
939 A1: It would be hard for me to remember whether it's four, six, or seven, or it was  
940 just more than a couple.  
941  
942 Q1: Okay.  
943  
944 Q: I'm going to break it down even a little more. When you saw them go up the  
945 driveway, the three officers.  
946  
947 A1: Yeah.  
948  
949 Q: Could you see what they were wearing?  
950  
951 A1: No. I wouldn't be able to remember what they were wearing.  
952  
953 Q: Did you see if a car went up the driveway?  
954  
955 A1: I didn't see any car go up the driveway.  
956  
957 A: I don't think we could see.  
958

959 Q: And right about the time that you heard the pops, four or five of them, did you  
960 hear yelling or screaming at that - at that time?

961  
962 A1: No.

963  
964 Q: If, um, in 24 years maybe, if - if I'm standing in the driveway of, uh, the  
965 (Craig)'s house there.

966  
967 A1: Yeah.

968  
969 Q: And, uh, I'm yelling at something, would - would you have an experience to  
970 know that you could hear that from your house? No?

971  
972 A1: I don't think I'd be able to hear. Because I'm standing over here with a whole  
973 wing of a house here. (Unintelligible) house there.

974  
975 Q: As well as theirs. Yeah.

976  
977 A1: To go over the top.

978  
979 Q1: And the driveway is...

980  
981 A: Yeah.

982  
983 Q1: ...sunken back a little bit.

984  
985 A1: It's setback. Yeah.

986  
987 Q1: Setback.

988  
989 A1: So I - I would not have - I would not think that I could have heard anything  
990 and I don't remember hearing anything as far as any verbals.

991  
992 Q1: And how - was it loud gunshots or did it seem kind of muffled or?

993  
994 A1: It didn't seem as loud as I would have thought, but again, maybe it was  
995 because of the two house wings being there and...

996  
997 Q1: Right.

998  
999 A1: And hindering the noise.



1001 Q1: How many patrol vehicles do you estimate you saw on the street?  
1002  
1003 A1: Five or six, maybe seven.  
1004  
1005 Q1: Okay.  
1006  
1007 A1: Lights going.  
1008  
1009 Q: In - in case I need to contact you for any- anything, maybe a question pops up.  
1010  
1011 A1: Yeah.  
1012  
1013 Q: Uh, how would I contact?  
1014  
1015 A1: Um, home phone number is and cell phone is  
1016  
1017 Q: I know you folks are - are heading out, so I won't keep you - keep you too  
1018 long. Uh, if you can, yeah, please remember, you know to send that, uh, uh,  
1019 video or audio, whatever it is, to us.  
1020  
1021 A1: Yeah.  
1022  
1023 Q: Because that's - that's probably going to be pretty important to us...  
1024  
1025 A1: Okay.  
1026  
1027 Q: ...even though, how - how old would you say that is?  
1028  
1029 A: There's probably a date on it. I - I would say within the last year.  
1030  
1031 Q: Okay. Okay.  
1032  
1033 A: I- I'm sure there's a date on it.  
1034  
1035 A1: It's further back than six months. Because it was...  
1036  
1037 A: Oh wait cause actually he sent - he sent it to me after the fact. Um, but  
1038 you'll have the video.  
1039  
1040 Q1: Sure, sure, sure.  
1041  
1042 A1: Yeah.

1043  
1044 Q1: Um, I - I...  
1045  
1046 ((Crosstalk))  
1047  
1048 Q: Drawing a blank from here. Yeah.  
1049  
1050 A1: I think we're good right now. I think, uh, we should go get to lunch.  
1051  
1052 Q: Yeah. Yeah.  
1053  
1054 A: I don't know if you guys talked to her or not or if you can let her know that  
1055 you know 'cause she may not come over and ask us for help just so that we  
1056 know when she's back. But if you let her know that she can come...  
1057  
1058 Q1: Sure, sure.  
1059  
1060 A: ...you know?  
1061  
1062 Q: Sure.  
1063  
1064 A: Because I know he was, um, in the hospital for like a couple months but - but  
1065 she never came over to ask - she was walking to the store every day.  
1066  
1067 Q1: Oh man.  
1068  
1069 A: And she...  
1070  
1071 Q1: Okay.  
1072  
1073 A: ...didn't ask for help. So I - I just would not want - and I, you know it's kind of  
1074 awkward to go over and...  
1075  
1076 Q1: Yeah.  
1077  
1078 A: ...I - I don't want to feel like I'm a butting in or nosy neighbor kind of thing.  
1079 She probably wouldn't feel that way but.  
1080  
1081 A1: Yeah.  
1082  
1083 Q: All right folks, well we appreciate your time.  
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1085 Q1: Thank you for your time.

1086

1087 A: All right.

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1089 Q: Thank you very much.

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1091 A1: You're very welcome.

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1093 Q1: Thank you ma'am.

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1095 Q: Take care. End at 1142.

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1098 This transcript has been reviewed with the audio recording submitted, and it is an accurate  
1099 transcription.

1100 Signed \_\_\_\_\_