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The Moline Police Department has finished and closed our investigation into the disappearance and murder of Jordan L. Burroughs, 37, of Moline, Illinois. The following is an account of the factual findings from the aforementioned investigation. From all accounts, Jordan Burroughs had not been seen since October 23rd, 2019. Burroughs deceased body was located on November 21st, 2019. Kyle Dykeman was eventually charged with her murder on November 21st, 2019.

Burroughs and Dykeman had been involved in a romantic relationship since October of 2018. In December of 2018, Burroughs moved in with Dykeman at his residence (2419 44th Street Moline, IL).

On November 6th, 2019, Moline Officers did a welfare check on Burroughs at 2419 44th Street at the request of a friend of Burroughs from Moline. No one was found home and Officer spoke with neighbors who indicated Dykeman had just left. Neighbors advised they had not seen Burroughs in weeks.

On November 19th, 2019, the Moline Police Department received information from a friend of Burroughs (who lives in Des Moines, Iowa) that Jordan had not been physically seen by anyone outside of Dykeman since October. Three officers responded to 2419 44th Street and spoke with Dykeman, who stated Burroughs had left him a few weeks prior to move to Des Moines and to be with a new boyfriend. Dykeman allowed responding officers into the residence; however, nothing seemed out of the ordinary at the time. A social media post on November 19th, 2019 prompted family members and friends to become increasingly suspicious of Burroughs' disappearance. Many started contacting the Moline Police Department with additional information.

Although no one physically saw Burroughs in person after October 23rd, 2019, friends and family began receiving text messages from Burroughs' cell phone on October 24th, 2019. These text messages, purportedly from Burroughs, stated that she had met a new love interest and was moving to Des Moines to be with him.

This dialogue lasted for several days and weeks. During the week after Burroughs disappearance, Dykeman provided police with statements that Burroughs had supposedly moved to Des Moines with another man. He stated that the two of them had since split up as a result. In combination with supportive text messages of excuses from Burroughs cellphone, Dykeman maintained the lies in person when friends and family came to their residence. By all accounts, no text or other messages were sent from Burroughs cellphone after November 7th, 2019.

Through cell phone records and other physical evidence which were later obtained during the investigation, it was determined all correspondence from Burroughs' cell phone was actually being sent from Dykeman, from his residence (2419 44th Street). Burroughs was determined to have never left the home, nor did she travel to Des Moines as her texts messages indicated.

On November 21st, 2019, at 10:38am, detectives responded to the residence of Dykeman and Burroughs (2419 44th Street) and spoke with Dykeman who was standing in the backyard of the residence when located. Dykeman voluntarily went to the Moline Police Department for an interview.

At the police department, Dykeman denied involvement in Burroughs disappearance. Dykeman stated he last saw Burroughs on October 23rd, 2019, at Hy-Vee on the Avenue of the Cities where they attended a trivia night together. Dykeman told investigators that, while at Hy-Vee, he and Burroughs got into a fight. Dykeman stated he went home, went to bed and, upon waking up on October 24th, Burroughs was gone and he had not seen her since. Detectives were able to locate that video and found the altercation was captured on surveillance cameras and it showed Dykeman leaving the area towards his residence on foot. Burroughs was seen leaving several minutes later.

After approximately 3 ½ hours of speaking with Detectives, Dykeman invoked his Constitutional Rights and requested to leave the police department. Dykeman was allowed to leave as there was no probable cause to arrest him at that time. However, Dykeman was placed under covert surveillance by undercover investigators. Dykeman was followed to Wal-Mart in Moline where he purchased clothing and a new cellphone. Dykeman was then followed to the Relax Inn in Davenport where he obtained a motel room.

A search warrant was obtained for Dykeman's residence. The Moline Police were assisted by Illinois State Police Crime Scene Investigators in executing the search warrant. Evidence was recovered that showed Dykeman cleaned up an area in the dining room. Biological evidence was located inside the residence under carpet pads. Evidence was located in the master bedroom in the form of handwritten notes, written by Dykeman, in which Dykeman alluded to killing Burroughs.

At approximately 5:22pm on November 21st, 2019, Burroughs' body was located in the detached garage in a large inoperable chest freezer. The freezer was hidden from view by tarps, blankets, boxes and furniture. Burroughs body was not dismembered, but showed significant signs of trauma. An autopsy on November 22nd, 2019, in Peoria showed that Burroughs died from multiple stab wounds.

Detectives contacted the Rock Island County State's Attorney's Office and at 7:36pm on November 21st, 2019, and a warrant for First Degree Murder and Concealment of a Homicidal Death was obtained for Dykeman.

After the arrest warrant was signed, Davenport Police, Moline Police, FBI and FBI Task Force Officers put the Rest Inn on lockdown and evacuated adjacent rooms.

Davenport Police Detectives obtain a search warrant for the room at the Relax Inn and upon entering the room, they discovered Dykeman deceased from suicide due to asphyxia by hanging. All evidence has indicated that Dykeman acted alone in the homicide and concealment of Burroughs' body, which occurred during the late evening hours of October 23rd, 2019. Dykeman attempted to cover up his crime by destroying evidence and pretending to be Burroughs by utilizing her cell phone to contact her family/friends.

The case is closed with the suicide of Dykeman and no further criminal charges are expected.

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