



# COLD CASE

Richland County Sheriff's Department  
Criminal Investigative Division  
5623 Two Notch Rd  
Columbia, SC 29223  
(803) 576-3000

## HOMICIDE—1978

**Date of Death:**

Dec. 31, 1978

**RCSD Case #**

1231789998

**If you have any information or questions regarding this incident, please contact:**

**Cold Case Unit:**

(803) 576-3462(o)

Or

CrimeStoppers

1-888-crime-sc

<http://>

[www.midlandsimestop  
pers.com/](http://www.midlandsimestoppers.com/)

**Ruby Crooks**



**Age:** 54

**Height:** 5'4"

**Weight:** 110 lbs.

**Hair:** Blonde

Ruby Crooks was found beaten and shot to death at her home on Langford Road in Blythewood, South Carolina. The body of her fiancé, Joe Duda, who was also beaten and shot, was also found at the scene.

Anyone with information is asked to call CrimeStoppers at 1-800-CRIME-SC or the Richland County Sheriff's Department Cold Case Unit at 803-576-3462.