

A Well Rossi told me that he didn't get home until after midnight or around midnight. I, I'm assuming that he did or he didn't.

Q Do you have any independent recollection of taking Piest's body out of the attic?

A Yeah, I think I brought it down from upstairs.

Q Do you remember?

A Yeah, I had to.

Q No, you didn't have to--do you remember?

A Well if I didn't bring it down from upstairs, who the hell else knew it was up there? I'm the one who put it up there, I had to bring it down.

Q Did Rossi know?

A I don't know if he did or he didn't.

Q You keep saying you had to, but you didn't have to do shit. What I'm saying is •. do you remember right now?

A Right now? No, because I don't even know if I put him in the car or if I put him in the van.

Q So you don't remember bringing him down?

A Yes, I would have to say that I did bring him down because when Rossi returned to the house after gain' to Rhode's, his body was right down in the hallway. In other words, if Rossi would've walked into the, through the kitchen into the front hall he would've seen his body layin' back there.

Q So when Rossi came back from Rhode's the body was already down there?

A Yes.

Q In the hallway?

A Yes.

Q Which hallway?

A The front hallway--the, the hallway leading to the bathroom from the bedroom.

Q Do you remember putting the body in the trunk?

A I, I know the truck was backed up to the back door and I also know the car was brought-- Rossi brought the car to the back door and backed it up.

Q Did he have a Christmas tree with him?

A Yeah, he got a Christmas tree.

Q Did he bring the Christmas tree in the house?

A No, it was in the van.

Q It was kept in the van?

A Yeah, then we went lookin' for Christmas trees. We went lookin' for Christmas trees.

Q Then he didn't have one when he came back from Rhode's?

A Yeah, he had to have one.

Q Then why would you go out looking for Christmas trees? You didn't go looking for Christmas trees.

A We went for a ride, yeah, we went lookin' for Christmas trees.

Q But he had one when he came back from Rhode's and that was for you.

A That's right he did tell me he had one when he came back from Rhode's.

Q So what was the purpose of your ride?

A To go get Christmas trees.

Q But you didn't get any.

A No, we smoked a joint, we had a beer in the house. I don't re- I don't remember, I, I

Q Did you put the body in the trunk then and take a ride with the body instead of looking for Christmas trees? I mean you wouldn't be looking for Christmas trees if you had one.

A No, but we were gonna go look for Christmas trees. Well, Robert, I know it, I know it don't make sense, but goddamit, that's what I think we did. I know we went for a ride lookin' for Christmas trees, I think that's what we did.

Q That's what is in your mind.

A That's what our intentions were, that's what our plans were.

Q M-hmm. With a Christmas tree in the van, you're going to go look for Christmas trees.

A Did we take the Christmas tree out of the van? I don't know.

Q Did you have a Christmas tree in your house?

A No.