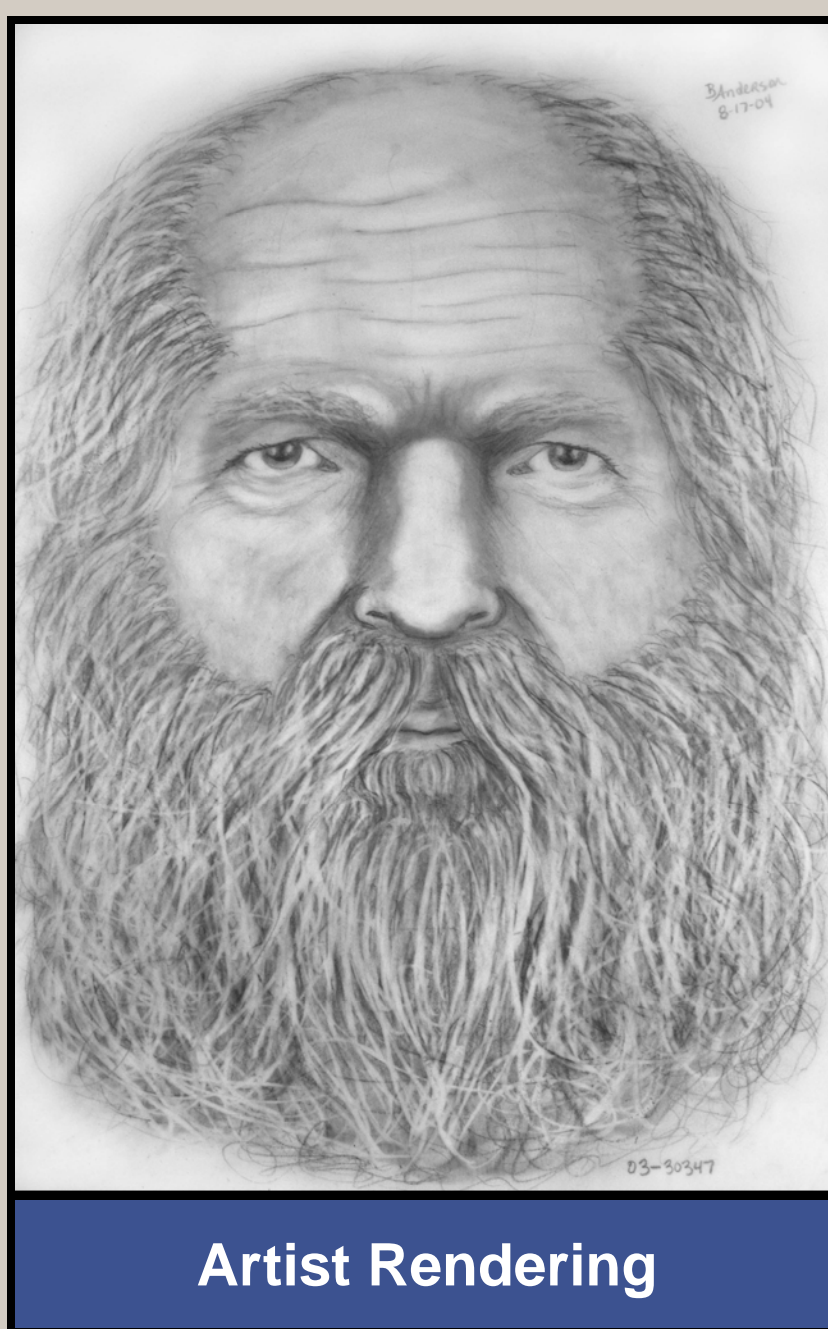


IDENTIFIED



Unidentified remains



Artist Rendering



Leon Danker

In April 2003 the body of a man was found in a homemade shelter amongst the bushes in a wooded area of Sacramento, his identity unknown.



To find out who he was, a facial reconstruction from the skull was created by Forensic Artist Barbara Anderson from the Sacramento Police Department. A sketch was completed and given to the Sacramento County Coroner's Office. In June 2006 the Coroner's Office launched a new website feature, an unidentified persons page, which contains sketches & facial reconstruction photos of people who have died but have not yet been identified.

Publicity about the website drew the attention of Detective Keller from the Cold Case Homicide Unit of the Sacramento Police Department. He had been looking for a transient man named Leon Danker, but was unable to find him. Because Leon was homeless, it was possible that he had died. It was on the Coroner's website that the Detective recognized the facial reconstruction sketch as being Leon Danker. DNA later confirmed he was right.

It had been 28 years since his family had heard from him....Now they had closure.

*"They call to us
from beyond
the grave.
We answer their
call and bring them
justice."*

- Barbara Anderson

