



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**June 13, 2022**

**VPD Report Number:** 22-048583

**Type of Incident:** Homicide

**Date/Time Occurred:** 6-10-22 / 1018 hours

**Location:** Ave. 288 and Rd. 68

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

N/A

**Suspect:**

1. Van Es, Thomas
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**Age:**

41

**Arrested:**

Yes

**Details:** On June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022, at approximately 10:18 a.m., officers with the Visalia Police Department responded to the area of Ave. 288 and Rd. 68 for a report of a suspicious death. Upon arrival, officers located a deceased adult female near an orchard. Violent Crimes Detectives along with Crime Lab responded to the scene. It was determined the victim's death was the result of a homicide. As a result of the continued investigation, Thomas Van Es was taken into custody and booked for homicide.

Anyone with information is urged to contact Detective Berrocales at (559)713-4727. Those wishing to remain anonymous can contact the Anonymous Tip Line at (559)713-4738.

**\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\***

The victim in this case has been positively identified as Kristy Van Es, 37 years of age, from Visalia.

The spelling of the suspect's last name in this case was released in error (Vanes), the correct spelling of the suspect's name is Thomas Van Es.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Patrol/Violent Crimes/Crime Lab

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Nate Flaws

