

Collin County Going the Extra Mile (GEM) Recognition Form

Honoree's Name: Russell Driver

Honoree's Job Title: Criminal Investigator

Department: Sheriff's Office

Years of Service with the County: 7 years

Why the Honoree is receiving a GEM Award including dates:

(See attached memo)

Approved by elected official or department head on the 15th day of OCT, 20 13


Signature of Elected Official
or Department Head

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COLLIN COUNTY

OFFICE OF THE SHERIFF
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Terry G. Box, Sheriff

MEMORANDUM

TO: Major M. Sanderson

FROM: Lt. S. Morrison *SM*

DATE: 08.15.2013

SUBJECT: Commendation – Sgt Russell Driver

Sgt Russell Driver was assigned to investigate a “cold case” homicide that occurred on 01/03/1984. A suspect had been identified in the earlier investigation; however, no evidence could be presented indicating culpability. Sgt Driver contacted and interviewed many witnesses, including newly established witnesses identified through his investigation. The previous suspect was able to be ruled out. In addition, through his determined efforts and generation of new leads, Sgt Driver was able to identify a new suspect and extract a confession. That suspect was recently sentenced to fifty years in prison for his involvement.

It was through Sgt Driver’s devoted attention, investigative acumen, and perseverance that the case was successfully cleared and resolution brought the family of the victim. Sgt Driver displayed exceptional ability and determination and should be commended for his effort on this case.