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James Giles, DOB: 03/30/1993

On 06/21/2014 at 11:13 PM the Sumter County Sheriff's Office received a call for assistance / welfare check from Gloria Concepcion Maresma-Cheney, who requested Deputies make contact with her mother Rosa Maresma. The caller advised her mother resides with her at the 6000 Block CR 630 Bushnell, Florida. Gloria was advised by her son, James Giles, who also resides at the above location that her mother may be injured. The caller and son were on the way home from a beach weekend. Sumter County Deputies arrived at the scene and conducted a sweep of the residence. Deputies located Rosa Maresma age 82 in a bedroom lying on the floor deceased. The victim was lying on her back on a towel and had a towel covering her. Deputies observed several large bandages on the center portion of the victim's chest.

The victims daughter advised deputies that on 06/19/14 her son texted her something had happened at the house. James Giles did not go into details and would only state that she would find out when she got home. On their way home from the beach her son did advise that the victim was passed away.



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James Giles was interviewed at the Sumter County Sheriff's Office. James Giles asked the Detectives if they had located a broken knife. Giles then stated that on 06/18/2014 he entered his grandmother's bedroom while she was sleeping. He placed a pillow over the victims face. While holding the pillow over her face Giles stabbed Maresma in the chest with a knife. James Giles then advised he wanted a lawyer and was placed under arrest for 1<sup>st</sup> degree homicide-wilful kill. No Bond.

During a search warrant of the residence Deputies discovered in a trash can a large broken kitchen knife.

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