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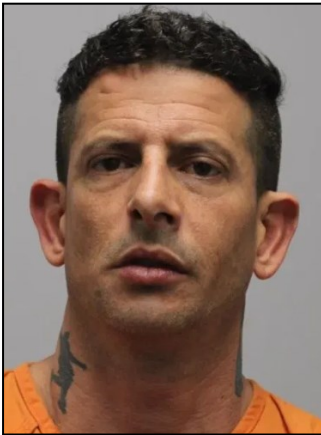
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Athens, Tennessee

Man Accused in Cleveland Murder Now in Custody



A man charged with the Sept. 8 murder of 25-year-old Dayana Garcia in Cleveland, Tn., has been brought back to Bradley County to face a first-degree murder count. Dayren Lopez Roque, 41, was located and arrested in a jurisdiction in south Texas, 30 miles from the Texas/Mexico border. Cleveland Police worked with Texas Rangers and local law enforcement agencies in that area to bring him back to Tennessee to face the charges.

Officials said, "Cleveland Police Department investigators Lt. Andy Wattenbarger, Detective Zach Kilby, other members of the Special Investigations Unit, and Sgt. Russ Fredricks of the CPD's Criminal Intelligence Unit worked around the clock to locate him.

"We are very appreciative of all the hard work and dedication of all people involved, including our 10th Judicial District Attorney Stephen Hatchett, Investigator Marshall Hicks, and the staff at the DA's office.

"This investigation is still ongoing. There is a lot of work ahead to assure that Dayana Garcia and her family receive the just outcome that they deserve."

On Sunday, Sept. 8, the Cleveland Police Department responded to 315 Northcrest Circle on a report of a missing person. Investigators were called to the scene and a search warrant for the residence was executed. Investigators searched the residence and located the missing female inside the residence.

The female victim, Ms. Garcia, was verified deceased. The Cleveland Police Department then deemed the domestic-related incident as a homicide investigation.

Source: [The Chattanooga](#) Photo Courtesy: Texas Sheriff's Office

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Community News You Can Use

- There is a one-day Loom Weaving class taking place on Saturday, Nov. 2 from 1 pm - 3 pm at the Athens Arts Center. Participants should register by Oct. 30. The class is open to all ages and experience levels. This one day only workshop is \$20 and all materials are provided. More information, as well as links to register for all classes, is available [HERE](#). Students may also register over the phone at 423-745-8781, or in person at The Arts Center.
- The McMinn Senior Activity Center is rescheduling the Annual Fall Resource Fair that was scheduled for October 19, to the Spring of 2025 in order to deliver the best possible experience for the community. For more information on the Activity Center, contact the Center at 423-745-6830 or stop by from 8a-4p at 205 McMinn Ave in Athens.
- The Regular Session of the McMinn County Commission meeting scheduled for October 21 at 6:00pm will be combined with the November 18 meeting that has been rescheduled to November 4 at 6:00 pm. More information for the meeting will be posted later.
- The McMinn County Public Safety Committee will meet at 12:00 pm on October 21 in the McMinn County Justice Center. The purpose is to discuss New Electronic Monitoring Requirements, an E-911 Additional Position, and Public Safety Funding requests.
- The McMinn County Education Foundation (MCEF) is celebrating 20 years of providing Dolly Parton's Imagination Library books to children in the McMinn County area. The MCEF and their generous partners have provided 591,643 books to children in McMinn County over those 20 years. Any child from birth to the age of five is eligible to receive a free book each month because of generous donors in our area. The best gift we can give to children is to share a story and begin a love of reading. For more info about the McMinn County Education Foundation, visit their website [HERE](#). Register your child, age 5 and under, to receive FREE books from Dolly Parton's Imagination Library in either English, Spanish, or both languages, click [HERE](#)
- Starr Regional Medical Center is hosting its annual Flu Shot Fundraiser to benefit the Friendly Fellow Club's Christmas Basket Program on Friday, Oct. 18 from 7 a.m. – noon.

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New Inductees into the MCHS Sports Hall of Fame

The McMinn County High School Sports Hall of Fame Committee recently inducted 6 new members. The recipients were recognized at the MCHS homecoming football game.

Inductees Class Year and Sports Participation
Left - Right:

Steven Stansell - 2009 Football and Soccer

Trace McDermott - 2007 Football

Haley Carroll - 1997 Softball and Basketball

Steve Byrum - 1965 Football and Baseball

Sharon Landers Brogan (for her son Eric Axley - 1992 Golf)

Joey Grubb - 1977 Football and Baseball

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Local Arrest Reports

Roy Jackson, 34 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Failure to Appear, Evading Arrest, Resisting Stop, Reckless Endangerment, Nonviolent Child Abuse/Neglect, Unlawful Carry/Possession of a Weapon by a Convicted Felon. No Bond.

Kandy Bartlett, 53 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Failure to Appear. Total Bond: \$8,000

Melvin Siler, 41 of Englewood, was arrested by the MCSO for State Violation of Probation. No Bond.

Larrick Degree, 51 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Failure to Appear and Fugitive from Justice. Total Bond: \$75,000.

Chelsea York, 30 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Criminal Trespass. Total Bond: \$1,500.

John Hamilton, 38 of Tellico Plains, was arrested by the MCSO for Violation of Probation—weapon. Total Cash Bond: \$875.45

Nathaniel Ledford, 41 of Athens, was arrested by the Athens PD for Domestic Assault. Total Bond: \$1,000.

Emily Key, 38 of Athens, was arrested by the MCSO for Unlawful Drug Paraphernalia; Manufacturing, Sale, Delivery, or Possession of Fentanyl; Unpaid Child Support; State Violation of Probation—meth for resale. Total Bond: \$26,000.

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