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MARSHFIELD WOMAN FOUND GUILTY IN HUSBAND'S MURDER

PLYMOUTH –Plymouth County District Attorney Timothy J. Cruz and Marshfield Police Chief Phillip A. Tavares have announced that Marshfield woman, Christine Ricci has been convicted of stabbing her husband to death.

After five days of evidence, a Plymouth County jury deliberated 2 ½ hours before finding Christine Ricci, 49, of Marshfield, guilty of Murder in the Second Degree, and one count of Assault and Battery by Means of a Dangerous Weapon.

At approximately 4:46 p.m. on January 28, 2021, Marshfield Police received a 911 call for a report of a medical emergency at a home located at 679 Moraine Street. Police and emergency medical personnel responded and performed lifesaving measures before transporting the male victim to South Shore Hospital where he was pronounced deceased at 5:30 p.m. The victim was identified as 51-year-old Michael Ricci. Emergency room personnel reported that Michael Ricci had two stab wounds, one in the front left chest and another in the upper left back shoulder.

Marshfield Police contacted Massachusetts State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and an investigation commenced. As a result of the investigation, detectives determined that the Riccis had a verbal altercation prior to the incident, and Christine Ricci retrieved a knife and stabbed Michael Ricci in the heart and in his back. Emergency personnel located a knife at the foot of the victim when they responded to the home.

Christine Ricci will be sentenced on August 22 at 3 p.m. in Plymouth Superior Court.

The case was prosecuted by Assistant District Attorneys Jeremy Beth Kusmin, Shanan Buckingham, and Jason Herron, and was investigated by State Police Detectives assigned to the Plymouth County District Attorney's Office and Marshfield Police.