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December 16, 1989

Location: Waterbury, CT

Victim(s): Julia M. Ashe 22

Attacker(s): Sedrick Cobb

Description: Cobb, a serial sexual predator, deflated Julia's tire while she was Christmas shopping. When she got back to her car, he offered to change her tire, which she accepted. Afterward, he said that his car wouldn't start, and asked for a ride to a gas station. She agreed and he directed her to a wooded pull-off, before ordering her into the back. He went through her pocketbook, stealing \$300, then raped her. He then gagged her and bound her mouth, feet, and hands, before carrying her to the dam and throwing her over the side. She fell 23 feet onto concrete covered in 8 inches of water. She managed to free herself and crawl to shore, where Cobb was waiting. He grabbed her by the hair and held her head underwater until she stopped kicking. He took the clothes she had bought as Christmas presents, then drove home.

Archive.is Link(s):

<https://archive.is/Sykav> Cobb is sentenced to death 8-13-1991.

<https://archive.is/iOSbF> Story about Cobb's appeal of his death sentence after CT abolished the death penalty in 2012, but didn't make the ruling retroactive 12-21-2013.

<https://archive.is/aAiqE> Cobb is re-sentenced to life without parole after CT state supreme court ruled 4-3 (2015) that capital punishment should be banned for all defendants 8-2016.

<https://archive.is/yzvGB> Cobb's murderpedia page.

<https://archive.is/e6QV7> Julia's memorial scholarship page.

<https://archive.is/6J8Vk> Julia's find a grave memorial.  
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<https://archive.is/u3vaS> Julia's father's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.li/fXaFa> Ashe surname info Ancestry.com.

<https://archive.li/j7OHW> Ashe surname wikipedia entry.

<https://archive.li/aq8xl> Ashe surname info house of names.

<https://archive.li/1M7nr> Ashe surname info surname database.