

**For Immediate Release: April 27th, 2014**

**Who:** Adopt A Doe and Families of Missing Persons

**What:** "Vigil for Spring"

**When:** 11am --- Noon, Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Where:** Just Off Bishop Ford Freeway Exit for 130 St. Near where Spring Doe was Found on April 28, 2005. Exit 130 St. Turn Right (West) on 130 St., Follow 130 St. to Indiana. Turn Right on Indiana. Look immediately for Sign on Tripod and 10x10 Canopy. If you don't see them, you are either too early, too late or lost.

<https://www.google.com/maps/place/13000+S+Indiana+Ave/@41.6569296,-87.6103175,15z/data=!4m2!3m1!1s0x880e26aa1dc66b9d:0xff6472ea6ccc996a>

**Why:** Ninth Anniversary of Discovery of "Spring Doe", Cook County M.E. 435 -- I am fighting for publicity to help identify her because if my nieces Diamond and Tionda are lying somewhere unidentified, I want someone to be inspired to do the same for them.

**Media Contact:** Investigator Foster, 847-579-9771-

**Thank you for coming to my "Vigil for Spring." Please publicize the facial approximation of Cook County case M.E. 435 so that hopefully someone will recognize her.** My "adopted daughter" Spring Doe (M.E. Case 435) was found April 28, 2005 near 13060 S Indiana Ave, Chicago, IL. 60627. No one knows for sure how many years she lay there before she was found. Chicago Police worked very hard to try and solve Spring's case, bringing in renowned Anthropologist Clyde Snow to examine her remains, and most recently having her facial approximation made. Investigator Foster, who has been working hard on the case of my missing nieces Diamond and Tionda will be leading the vigil, where families of missing persons can also speak about their missing loved ones. **Public advocates are encouraged to work from home during the vigil, spreading the facial approximation through social media so that hopefully a friend or family member will see it.**

I am fighting for publicity to help identify her because if my nieces Diamond and Tionda are lying somewhere unidentified, I want someone to be inspired to do the same for them. I "adopted" ME 435 and named her Spring in 2012. Since that time, some great changes have happened in Chicago for Unidentifieds. Spring was the first Chicago/Cook County Doe listed with NamUs through the combined efforts of Chicago Police, Medical Examiner's Office, NamUs and volunteers. . Many more have been listed since by our Medical Examiner's office. I encourage everyone to visit our Medical Examiner's new Unidentified page and view all of the unidentified listed there. This is just one of the great changes that have been happening at the Cook County Medical Examiner's office since Dr. Stephen Cina took over:

**Cook County Medical Examiner's Unidentified Page:**

[http://www.cookcountygov.com/portal/server.pt/community/medical\\_examiner,\\_office\\_of/307/unidentified\\_persons/735](http://www.cookcountygov.com/portal/server.pt/community/medical_examiner,_office_of/307/unidentified_persons/735)

Spring Doe's NamUs Site: <https://identifyus.org/en/cases/10693> NamUs: <http://www.namus.gov>

Spring Doe Poster on National Center for Missing Children Site:

<http://www.missingkids.com/poster/NCMU/1204842/1#poster>

More Information can be found on my "Adopt A Doe" Facebook page and Wordpress blog:

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Adopt-A-Doe/405630419521028?ref=hl>

<http://sheliahsmith.wordpress.com> Thank you for your help!

Shelia Bradley-Smith

Great Aunt of Missing Children Diamond and Tionda Bradley