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NEWS / MEDIA RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

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MISSING PERSON

Update 12/9/2024: We are pleased to announce that William James, who was previously reported missing, has returned home safely.



James, William Taries

Male, black, 60 years old
6'0", 400 lbs.
Black hair, brown eyes

Deputy M.D. Burdette with the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office is seeking assistance locating the above missing person.

William James is an adult male resident of the Rand area in Kanawha County. His family hasn't seen or heard from him since the evening of December 6, 2024, and his family told deputies it is highly unusual for him to be away from home for this amount of time. He does not have a cell phone and does not drive, so it is possible William may be walking. William has been diagnosed with schizophrenia which leaves his family extremely concerned about his well-being.

If you have any information, contact Deputy M.D. Burdette (304-357-0169) or a detective with the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigative Section (304-357-0556).



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