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### UPCOMING TV SHOW REVISITS YUCAIPA TEACHER'S MURDER

SAN BERNARDINO, Calif. – Steven Wood was a loving father, husband, outdoorsman, and teacher who taught science at Yucaipa Junior High School in 1993. On June 1 of that year he mysteriously disappeared after attending a school board meeting. The following day police discovered his truck abandoned along a remote stretch of highway in Riverside County.

Inside the truck they made a disturbing discovery that set the community on edge. But there was no sign of Wood or any indication as to where he might be. The mystery went without answer until several months later, when hunters discovered his remains in a remote wilderness area. An autopsy later revealed foul play. But the answer to one mystery just created more, as no one seemed to know who could have done this, or why.

District Attorney Michael A. Ramos, who was assigned to the Steven Wood case as a deputy district attorney in the Career Criminal Prosecution Unit, said he will remember this case for the rest of his life.

"These animals took the life of a loving father, son and educator who gave so much that it ended up costing him his life," said Ramos. "His murder and the parents that he left behind is what inspire me every day to fight for victims and their families."

The story of the investigation into Wood's disappearance and murder will be featured on Investigation Discovery's true crime series "Stolen Voices, Buried Secrets" on Monday, February 6, at 10 pm. A preview of the show can be viewed at <http://investigation.discovery.com/videos/stolen-voices-buried-secrets-who-killed-steven-wood.html>

The series revisits mysterious murders through the lens of the fictionalized, first-person perspectives of the victims. As investigators, family, and friends peel back the layers and facts of each case for viewers, the otherworldly narrator already knows how their story ends and supplies all-knowing observations hinting at breaks to come in the case.

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