

EVANS ENTERS PLEA OF GUILTY TO KIDNAP

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GULFPORT, Miss. -- **Donald Evans**, who led police to the body of a 10-year-old girl and says he killed more than 60 other people, pleaded guilty Monday to kidnapping the child.

Evans, 34, was charged with abducting Beatrice Louise Routh, who disappeared from a Gulfport playground Aug. 1. Evans led police to the body 10 days later. She had been raped and strangled.

U.S. District Judge Walter Gex set an Oct. 24 sentencing date.

After his arrest, Evans claimed to have killed more than 60 people in at least 21 states. So far he has been charged only in the girl's slaying.

The kidnapping charge could bring a sentence of life in prison. Evans could get the death penalty if convicted in state court of capital murder.

He was expected to appear in a Mississippi court on the murder charge this week. On Monday he also was charged in Beatrice Routh's death by authorities in neighboring Louisiana.

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