

FIREBOMB VICTIM'S DAUGHTER HOSPITALIZED - SHE WAS AT THE DETROIT HOME DURING ATTACK

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The daughter of the 71-year old Detroit woman killed in a firebomb attack on her home has been admitted to Detroit Receiving Hospital for psychiatric care.

Brent Chrite, 46, the son of **Betty Williams**, said Saturday that his sister Susan Chrite was taken to the hospital late Friday.

He told the Free Press on Friday that she has struggled with drug and alcohol abuse and other medical problems for years.

Susan Chrite, 47, and some of her friends were at Williams' home on Pinehurst when a firebomb was thrown through a window around 3:30 a.m. Thursday. They escaped the blaze. Firefighters pulled Williams out, but she died of her injuries.

Immediately after the attack, neighbors said, Susan Chrite screamed that she knew who was responsible for the bombing.

Police said Friday that they were investigating whether the firebombing was connected to a possible drug debt. No one was in custody Saturday, and Susan Chrite had not been charged.

Brent Chrite said his sister was found Friday night at a house in Detroit. She had previously lived at her mother's home.

"I want to stress that we love her and if - and when - she wants to dedicate herself to life, we're here for her," he said.

Williams had recently retired as a certification coordinator for the Michigan Minority Business Development Council in Detroit.

"She was very well-loved and respected," said Louis Green, the council's president. "All we can do is just handle the phones with people full of shock and condolences."

Besides her son and daughter, Williams is survived by another son, Alan Chrite, and daughter Diane Peoples.

Meanwhile, the date for Williams' funeral has changed. It will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday at Presentation-Our Lady of Victory Church, 19760 Meyers in Detroit.

Swanson's Funeral Home is handling arrangements.

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