

Man to be charged with 1986 Eastpointe slaying

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MOUNT CLEMENS -- Macomb County prosecutors today plan to charge a man with first-degree murder in connection with the 1986 slaying of an Eastpointe teenager.

Smith and Eastpointe Police Chief Michael Lauretti are expected to issue the charges against 58-year-old Arthur Ream for the April 20, 1986 murder of 13-year-old **Cindy Zarzycki**, according to a statement Smith issued Wednesday.

Ream is in prison for an unrelated crime.

Eastpointe District Court Judge Norene Redmond has signed a first-degree murder warrant against Ream, according to Smith.

Eastpointe police said **Cindy** disappeared in April 1986 after eating a vanilla ice cream cone at a Dairy Queen on Nine Mile at Rausch Street.

Police and prosecutors say Ream killed the girl after she spurned his sexual advances. They believe he murdered her and disposed of the body, which still hasn't been found.

Ream is serving a prison sentence stemming from a 1998 third-degree criminal sexual conviction in Gladwin County. He was convicted of sexually assaulting a 14-year-old girl.

The **Zarzycki** case is the 20th warrant arising from the prosecutor's office "cold case" initiative. Smith launched the program in 2005.

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