On 11/9/19 just before noon, Rodney Brown was shot and killed at his residence on Woodthrush Cir. in Hardy, VA. The suspect is Michael Alexander Brown (DOB: 9-23-97), the son of Rodney Brown’s live in girlfriend. Michael Brown is a 6’00”, 145lb, white male. Mr. Brown has brown hair, may have long hair and a beard/mustache. He has acne scars on his chin and neck; 1 inch scar on his left shoulder blade; 1 inch scar on his lower right torso. He is 6’3” and weighs 220 lbs. He is a U.S. Navy veteran.

James Tait Praefke, born James Tait Krueger, now 52 years old, is most likely using a false identity, however, his tall stature is distinctive. Praefke escaped confinement while serving his time in the Pacific Northwest. It is believed that he may have acquired an RV or boat, and be traveling around the United States or have sailed to the Caribbean. Praefke is a resourceful survivalist and has knowledge of firearms. He is thought to be comfortable in the woods and would often take his old vehicle on 4-wheel trails. Praefke may be living in seclusion or with like minded people and has family ties to the Sarasota, FL area. You may be eligible for a reward if you have any information leading to the capture of James Praefke.