



## THE MAJOR CASE SQUAD OF GREATER SAINT LOUIS



### **Press Release**

During the early morning hours of Thursday, September 21, 2023, the Major Case Squad responded to the East Alton Police Department in reference to the stabbing death of a female in the 300 block of West Main St in East Alton.

The victim was identified as:

**Adell S. Davenport, a 47 year old black female from East Alton, IL 62024**

18 Major Case Squad investigators and the East Alton Police Department in cooperation with the Illinois State Police Crime Scene unit responded to conduct the investigation. They were able to identify the suspect in the case.

**John S. Davenport a 54 year old black male from East Alton, IL 62024**

During the investigation we learned that Adell and John were married several years prior and were currently separated.

On September 22, 2023, members from the Major Case Squad and the East Alton Police Department met with the Madison County State's Attorney's Office to present evidence in this case.

The Madison County State's Attorney's Office issued the following charges:

#### **2 Counts: First Degree Murder**

The Honorable Judge Berkley signed an arrest warrant, and set the defendant to be remanded to the Madison County Jail, pending a Detention Hearing.

A copy of the booking photo of John Davenport, and the charging documents will be included as attachments with this release

All suspects should be considered innocent until proven guilty