

Ex-Teacher Killed

Police in Tampa, Fla., have reported that a former teacher, Bland Stewart, 48, who had taught in schools in the Missouri Bootheel and in Northeast Arkansas, including Blytheville, was discovered slain in Tampa Friday.

Officers said Stewart, a cab driver, was reported missing late Thursday night by his wife when he failed to return home following work.

His body was found in a vacant lot near his parked cab. Police said he had been severely beaten then shot in the chest. He was robbed of all his personal possessions, officers said.

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