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FUGITIVE'S MISSING TOE SEALS HIS FATE ***U.S. Marshals end fugitive's 10-year run; captured in Mexico***

WASHINGTON – The hunt for U.S. Marshals' *15 Most Wanted* fugitive William Joseph Greer is over. After more than 10 years on the run, Greer was located and arrested Tuesday in Nacajuca, Mexico, at approximately noon CST.

Greer is wanted by the Harris County Sheriff's Department for allegedly murdering his girlfriend, Tammy Marie Esquivel, Dec. 19, 2006. His crime, however, was not discovered until days later after authorities found him wandering naked and intoxicated in Cleveland, Texas, Dec. 22, 2006. During the odd encounter with police, Greer allegedly confessed to using drugs and "accidentally" killing his girlfriend. Although he was arrested for public intoxication, authorities had no evidence of the confessed crime and released him the next day. Information about the crime emerged a week later, but Greer was long gone. A murder warrant was issued for Greer in January 2007, and he was added to the U.S. Marshals 15 Most Wanted list in January 2016.



The fugitive investigation for Greer gained momentum on Nov. 24 when U.S. Marshals developed information that led them to believe he was in Nacajuca, a small town roughly 30 miles outside of the city of Villahermosa, Tabasco, Mexico. The information was shared with Mexican authorities who deployed to the location to determine if the new lead was credible. On Tuesday, authorities spotted a man matching Greer's description and quickly detained him. The man's identity was quickly established as the *Most Wanted* fugitive when authorities confirmed he was missing a toe, a unique physical characteristic that was widely publicized when he went missing.

Greer is now back on U.S. soil and is currently in the custody of the Harris County Sheriff's Department.

His case was featured on Fox's *America's Most Wanted*, CNN's *The Hunt with John Walsh* and *Crime Watch Daily*, all generating hundreds of leads over the years. For more information about this case, go to www.usmarshals.gov.

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