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## **Updated Press Release**

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Initial investigation into Sunday's deaths is complete and while follow up is still ongoing we believe the following occurred:

Michael Turnipseed age 53 and Michelle Turnipseed age 51 were separated and there was an active case in the court system but there was not a no contact provision in the pending case.

Michael arrived at the house just after noon with Michelle agreeing to this arrangement.

Sometime shortly after he arrived some sort of altercation occurred and both subjects were found deceased from apparent stab wounds. Michelle was located outside the residence and Michael was found inside the residence with a knife next to him.

Family has been notified and our thoughts and prayers are with the family.

If you know of someone that needs helps from any kind of abuse please reach out to local law enforcement or to any of the following victim advocates for help

Embrace 1-800-924-0556 St Croix Valley Sexual Assault Response Team 715-425-6443 Community Referral Agency 1-800-261-7233

Per Chris Fitzgerald, Barron County Sheriff