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**Update on the Scheduled Execution of –  
Lezmond Charles Mitchell**

**Terre Haute, Indiana:** The Court Order to execute Mr. Lezmond Mitchell has been fulfilled.

Pursuant to the sentence of the United States Court for the District of Arizona, Lezmond Mitchell has been executed by lethal injection.

He was pronounced dead at 6:29 p.m. Eastern Daylight Time by the Vigo County Coroner.

Lezmond Charles Mitchell, a 38-year old American Indian male, stabbed to death a 63-year-old grandmother and forced her nine-year-old granddaughter to sit beside her lifeless body for a 30 to 40-mile drive. Inmate Mitchell then slit the girl's throat twice, crushed her head with 20-pound rocks, and severed and buried both victims' heads and hands. On May 8, 2003, a jury in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona found inmate Mitchell guilty of numerous offenses, including first degree murder, felony murder, and carjacking resulting in murder, and he was sentenced to death on September 15, 2003.

USP Terre Haute is a High security facility with approximately 1350 male inmates.

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