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## Visalia Ransacker Crime Spree Update

## **Detectives asking for public assistance**

Today, the Sacramento County Sheriff's Department announced the arrest of 72 year old Joseph James DeAngelo, who they identified as the "Golden State Killer". The Visalia Police Department believes the Visalia Ransacker crime spree from 1974 to 1975 is linked to the Golden State Killer cases.

The Department's Violent Crimes Unit continues to investigate the Visalia Ransacker cases. Visalia Police Department Detectives have established a public hotline and are asking anyone who knew or associated with Joseph James DeAngelo, while in Tulare County in the 1970s, to call (559) 713-4132.

Visalia Police Chief Jason Salazar will be available to comment on this case at 3:30 pm today at the Visalia Emergency Communications Center, 420 N. Burke Street.

