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Slain woman found by road

Authorities have identified a young Covington woman whose body was found wrapped in a bright blue tarp alongside Ky. 8 in Hebron late Sunday afternoon.

Investigators believe 29-year-old Patricia Volpenhein was killed and then wrapped in the tarp before her body was discarded alongside the riverside highway near Amsterdam Road.

Boone County Coroner Doug Stith said a sanitation worker from Kenton County discovered Volpenhein's body when he stopped to retrieve the tarp about 5 p.m. Sunday. "The sanitation worker went by and saw this bright-colored blue tarp and thought maybe he could use it, and that's when he found this body," Stith said.

"It's a dirt lot at the corner of Amsterdam and Ky. 8. -- She was not dead long. -- It's believed to be a probable homicide. -- There were injuries to the body."

Detectives from the Boone County Sheriff's Department are investigating. Department spokesman Deputy Tom Scheben said investigators received an anonymous tip last night that allowed them to identify the young woman.

Neither the coroner nor Scheben would describe the injuries to Volpenhein's body or what other evidence was found at the scene. Scheben said it is not clear where Volpenhein was killed.

Stith said an autopsy is scheduled for later today, which should provide additional information about the circumstances of her death. Scheben said investigators have no suspect in the killing.

Volpenhein's last known address was on Russell Street in Covington. Authorities had little other information to disclose this morning

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Patricia L. Volpenhein, 29, of Covington, was found dead Sunday near River Road in Hebron. She was a homemaker.

Survivors include a son, Justus Michael Lee Turner of Covington; her parents, Michael Volpenhein of Covington and Joseph Volpenhein of Ludlow; and sisters, Sue Ann Davidson of Bradenton, Fla., and Helena Rowland of Covington.

Services will be at noon Friday at Ronald B. Jones Funeral Home, Ludlow. Visitation will begin there at 10 a.m. Friday. Burial will be in Highland Cemetery, Fort Mitchell. Memorials are suggested to Patricia Volpenhein Trust Fund, in care of U.S. Bank, 602 Madison Ave., Covington, Ky. 41011.