

***CHESNEE MAN SENTENCED TO 35 YEARS
IN PRISON FOR STABBING WIFE TO DEATH***

A Chesnee man received a 35-year prison sentence today after he told a judge that he stabbed his wife to death in the driveway of the home they once shared.

Mitchell Eugene Wall, 40, of 1800 Sandy Ford Road, pleaded guilty to murder hours before prosecutors planned to try him for killing Sheri Wall, 43. The guilty plea was straight up with no negotiation or recommendation from prosecutors.

The couple was separated and in the process of getting a divorce when the killing occurred on the morning of April 15.

Mitchell Wall repeatedly stabbed Sheri Wall in her back and neck moments after she asked him to sign some tax papers.

Spartanburg County sheriff's deputies found the body about 9:10 a.m. in the back seat of her Jeep. Two knives with Sheri Wall's blood on them were found inside the vehicle. After the stabbing, Mitchell Wall went inside and took a shower. He called his mother and a friend and he told them what he had done. The friend reported the incident to police.

Mitchell Wall didn't personally report the incident to police. He made no effort to help his wife in the 10-15 minute time period that she bled to death.

Mitchell Wall greeted Deputy John Hudson when he pulled his police cruiser in the driveway of the Chesnee-area home. Mitchell Wall told Hudson that he got into a little dispute with his wife.

Hudson found the body in the jeep.

During the guilty plea, Solicitor Trey Gowdy played a video of the exchange between Hudson and Wall. A camera in Hudson's patrol car recorded the conversation.

During interviews with deputies, Mitchell Wall repeatedly admitted his guilt. He told investigators that he committed the murder because he was tired of listening to her.

At the time of his arrest, Mitchell Wall had two domestic violence convictions on Sheri. A third domestic violence charge was pending at the time of her death.

Mitchell Wall will have to serve every day of the prison sentence.

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