CORRECTION: MR. LEE WAS ORIGINALLY CHARGED WITH TWO COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED BATTERY AND ONE COUNT OF MISDEMEANOR 3<sup>RD</sup> DEGREE CRUELTY TO CHILDREN – NOT TWO COUNTS OF AGGRAVATED ASSAULT AS INDICATED IN THE ORIGINAL PRESS RELEASE. THE CORRECTED RELEASE APPEARS BELOW. THANK YOU.



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## *NEWS RELEASE*

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## **Charges Upgraded to Murder after Victim Dies**

Chatham County, GA (March 22, 2021) – The Chatham County Police Department has upgraded charges in a case after the victim died from his injuries.

The Chatham County Police Department has charged 36-year-old Mark Anthony Le with the murder of 53-year-old Ralph Wilmot. Wilmot died on March 19, 2021, from injuries sustained during a February 19, 2021 incident. Wilmot never regained consciousness after the incident.

On February 19, 2021, officers were dispatched to an address in the 100 block of Map Maker Cove. When they arrived, they found Wilmot suffering serious injuries and one female suffering non-life threatening injuries.

A third person, 36-year-old Mark Anthony Le, was arrested at the scene. At that time, he was charged with two counts of aggravated battery and one misdemeanor count of 3<sup>rd</sup> degree cruelty to children. The cruelty to children charge stemmed from the fact that children were present when the incident occurred

Detectives say all of the parties involved knew each other, and that this was not a random incident.

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