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July 11, 1979

Location: Torrance, CA

Victim(s): Jo Ella Champion 44, Dr. Joseph Hill 35

Attacker(s): Melvin Turner 19, Teague Hampton Scott 19

Description: Turner, a parolee who got a job at the airport, and Scott, attacked Joseph and Jo Ella after they exited their car and entered the hangar where Jo Ella's single-engine plane was stored. Turner and Scott robbed the victims at gunpoint, bound and gagged them, then forced them to sit against the hangar wall, before shooting them point-blank in their heads.

Archive.is Link(s):

<https://archive.is/OTMCF> Turner is sentenced to death in retrial in '88.
<https://archive.is/L7Grb> Death penalty forum thread - Turner's case is mentioned.
<https://archive.is/2uMeL> Turner's murderpedia page. Scott was sentenced to 52 - life.
<https://archive.fo/HtKoT#selection-1137.0-1137.48> Race of the victims is mentioned.
<https://archive.is/WpOKu> Jo Ella's find a grave memorial.

<https://archive.is/TyBM0> Champion surname info Ancestry.com.
<https://archive.li/ElTuA> Champion surname info house of names.
<https://archive.li/jVR8H> Champion surname info surname database.

<https://archive.li/AVbn9> Hill surname info Ancestry.com.
<https://archive.li/V48Gn> Hill surname wikipedia entry.
<https://archive.li/0fMI9> Hill surname info house of names.
<https://archive.li/u6qby> Hill surname info surname database.