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Lafayette hills remains IDd; longtime mystery solved

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Skeletal remains discovered on a Lamorinda hillside March 16 have been identified by the California Department of Justice DNA Laboratory in Richmond, according to Moraga Police.

Forensic analysis identified the deceased as Richard Allen Saimons, reported missing to Lafayette Police on Aug. 2, 1998. Saimons, a Lafayette resident, left his home that afternoon and never returned. Saimons was 37 at the time of his disappearance. There were no signs of foul play.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Moraga Police Lt. Brian South at (925) 888-7052 or the Lafayette Police at (925) 284-5010.

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