



# City of Margate Police Department

ACCREDITED LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY

## MEDIA RELEASE



**PIO Number:** 20-14

**Police Case Number:** 37-2008-024417

**Event:** Dog Attack

**Place of Occurrence:** 6185 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Street Margate, FL 33068

**Date/Time of Occurrence:** August 28, 2020 9:41 p.m.

**Victim(s):** Carolyn Varanese, Joseph Varanese

**Suspect(s):** N/A

**PIO/Releasing Authority:** Lieutenant Al Banatte

**Investigator:** Detective Michael Starkman

**Release Date:** August 29, 2020

### Summary of Incident

The Margate Police Department is investigating a dog attack that occurred on Friday, August 28, 2020 at approximately 9:41 p.m., at 6185 SW 1<sup>st</sup> Street.

The dog attacked its owners while inside of the home. Carolyn Varanese, 84 of Margate, was pronounced deceased at the scene by Margate Fire Rescue. Joseph Varanese, 57 of Margate, was transported to Northwest Medical Center with serious injuries.

The dog was turned over to the custody of Broward County Animal Control. The cause of the attack is under investigation.