East Central Illinois Mobile Law Enforcement Training Team

MTU #13

Course Announcement

Death Investigation for the first Officer/ Supervisor at the scene

January 14th-15th, 2026

0830-1630 Hrs

Denny Stewart Training Center

3121 Dewitt Avenue

Mattoon, II.

Submit enrollment to:
Registration form at
www.mtu13.com



PURPOSE OF COURSE: This two-day training module will assist the uniform first responders in conducting a thorough initial investigation into all types of death investigations. This training module is also structured so that uniform officers and supervisors, who conduct

follow-up investigations will receive additional information that will aid them in the performance of their job.

COURSE DESCRIPTION: Classroom Lecture and group exercises.

GOALS: The Goals of the Course are as follows

- A. Introduction to Death Investigation
- B. Identifying Postmortem Body Changes
- C. Securing the Scene
- D. Natural Death Investigation
- E. Suicide Investigation

F. Non-Vehicular Accidental Deaths

G. Officer Involved Shootings and Other in Custody Deaths

H. Miranda and Other Initial Problems on Death Scenes

Observed Mandates Include:

Civil Rights

Const. Use of LE Authority

Legal Updates

Procedural Justice

Lead Homicide Invesstigator

ROBERT G. LOWERY, JR.

Major (Retired), Florissant, Police Department, Florissant, Missouri

Robert Lowery was the 5th police official to be appointed as Commander of the elite 35-year Greater St. Louis Major Case Squad, a multi-jurisdictional violent crime task force concerned with the high-profile murder investigations in Missouri and Illinois. Serving 2.5 million citizens across 12 counties. Formed partnerships with Federal Law Enforcement



agencies, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United State Marshal Service, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, Secret Service and Internal Revenue to maximize resources available for in-progress homicide cases. Robert created the Technical Operations Group, a specially-trained team designed to provide electronic support in tracking and locating suspects. Robert created the Family Liaison Program which provided specially-trained investigators to work with families of victims of homicide cases, investigated violent crimes with 500 Law Enforcement Investigators from over 100 local, county, state, federal agencies and managed high-level murder cases in collaboration with numerous officers and agencies.

Robert is a member of the International Homicide Investigators Association, Quantico, Virginia, United State Department of Justice, Federal Agency Task Force on Missing and Exploited Children, Washington DC, International Coroners and Medical Examiners Association and Federal Bureau of Investigation and National Academy Association.