Murder-Suicide at 700 35th Avenue North

St. Petersburg Police Department Major Crimes Unit detectives were able to establish that there was a murder-suicide that took place inside the Stempinski house at 700 35th Avenue North. Officers were initially called to that location on Friday, April 29, 2016, at 8:48 p.m. to conduct a welfare check. Once inside the home, they discovered 69 year old Gary Stempinski and his 72 year old wife, Marie, dead of gunshot wounds.

The investigation revealed that Gary had shot and killed his wife while she was inside the home and then took his own life with the same handgun. The investigation is still ongoing at this time.

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