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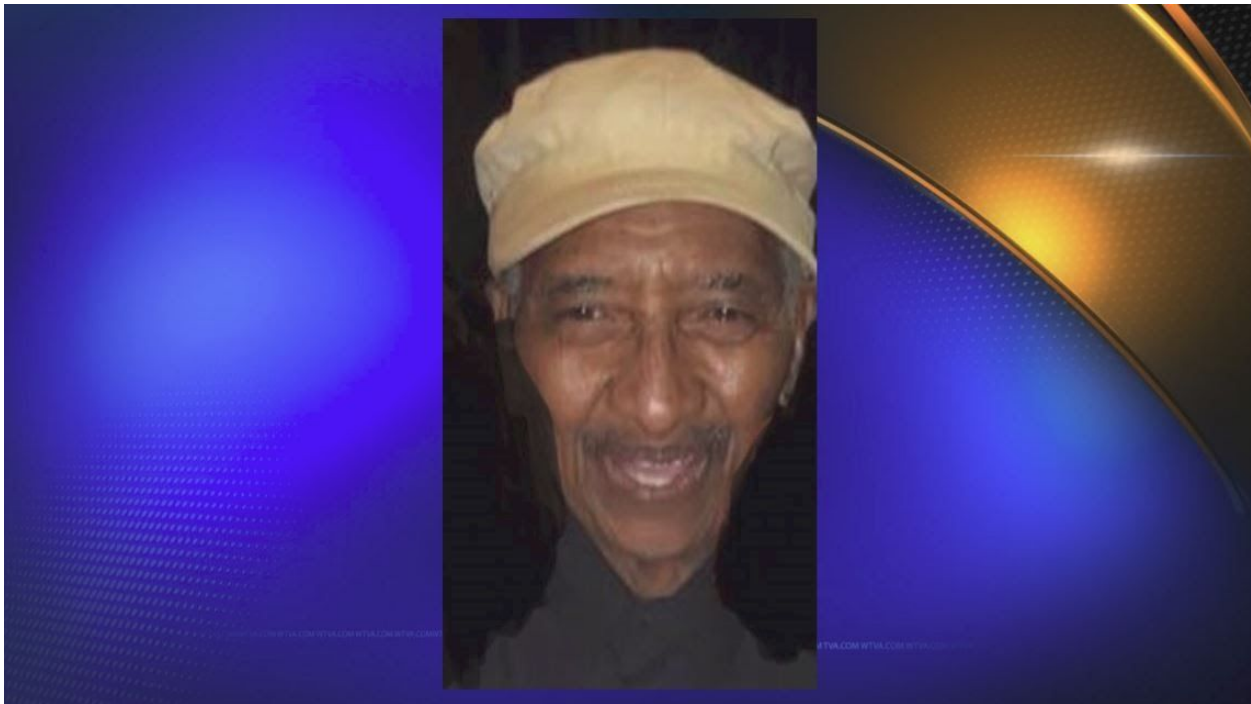
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TUPELO, Miss. (WTVA) - One year ago, Tupelo Police asked the public for help locating an elderly man whose family had reported him missing.

Rommie Essex is still nowhere to be found, and his daughter, Donna Essex, is seeking closure.



*Rommie Lee Essex*



*Rommie Essex | Photo: Tupelo Police Department*

Initial reports stated Essex was seen in the area of the Barnes Crossing Mall on Feb. 18, 2019. Tupelo Police said they were told Essex was seen near the Pines Apartments on Feb. 19, 2019.

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Donna Essex said she had talked with him on the phone earlier on Feb. 18, 2019.

He had called her frantically, thinking someone tried to break into his apartment, she recalled. He was using a neighbor's phone to make the call.

His daughter, who lives in Las Vegas, Nevada, had local family members check on her father after their phone conversation. She said everything appeared to be fine.

Following his disappearance, WTVA interviewed a woman at a local hotel who claimed she saw Rommie Essex near the Best Western Inn on North Gloster Street in Tupelo. He actually checked into the hotel at the time, she said.

Donna Essex said she has spoken with Tupelo Police investigators about his disappearance. WTVA reached out to Police Wednesday morning but have not received a response as of this article's publication.

The Mississippi Bureau of Investigation reported a possible sighting of Rommie Essex last year in Columbus.

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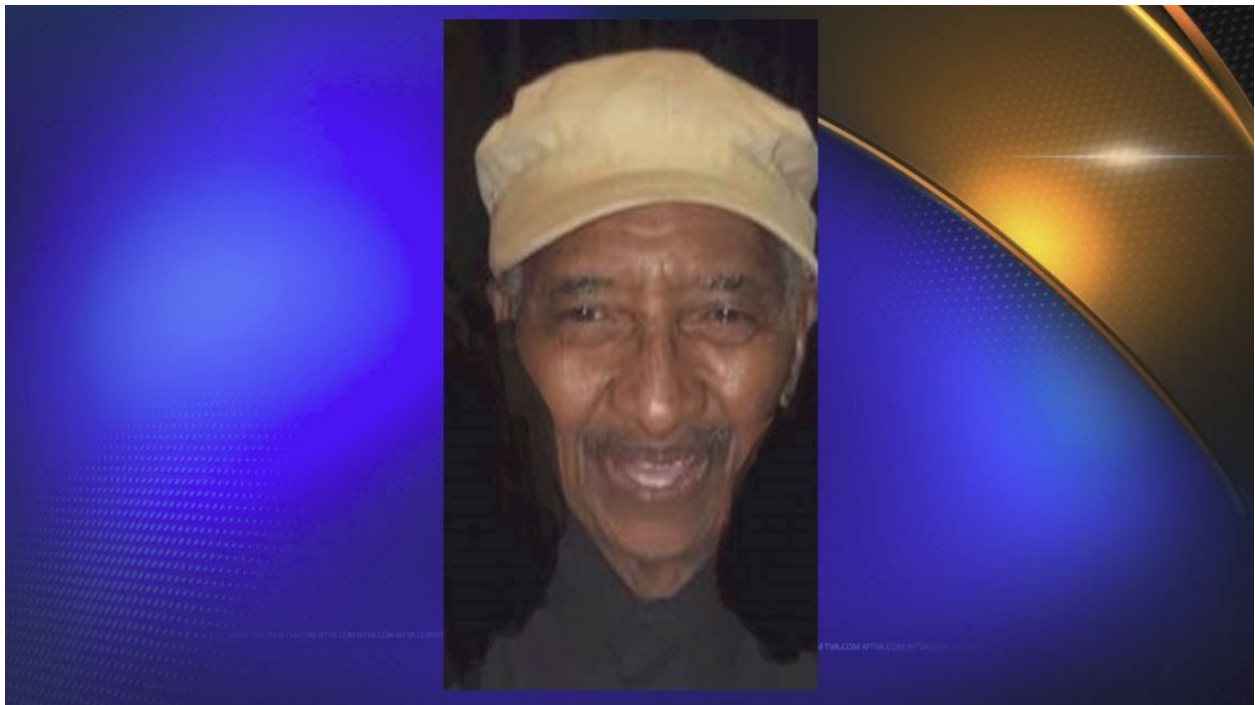
Anyone with information about his whereabouts can call the Tupelo Police Department at 662-841-6491.

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Police identified the man as Rommie Lee Essex, 79. His family says he may suffer from dementia.



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He was last seen Tuesday in the area of the Best Western hotel in the 3100 block of North Gloster Street.

Essex stands 5 feet 5 inches tall and weighs 130 pounds. It is believed he is walking.

If you see him, you are asked to call 911.