

# MISSING



IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT VANESSA:  
MERCED MAJOR CRIMES UNIT (209) 385-7472  
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## Vanessa Dawn Smith

Missing from Winton, CA

Date Missing: 5/31/1997  
Age at Disappearance: 15 years  
Sex: Female  
Weight: 130 lbs.  
Hair: Blonde

Date of Birth: 12/26/1981  
Race: Caucasian  
Height: 5'6"  
Eyes: Blue

Other: Vanessa has a birthmark from her shoulder to her elbow on her right arm and a scar on her left ear. She was last seen wearing a light blue dress with an elastic waist and metal buttons. Vanessa's 3rd muscle in the retina of her right eye is paralyzed which causes her eye to wander, on occasion all the way into her nose.

**Circumstances:** Vanessa left her home in Winton, California at 7:00 pm and never returned home. Her walking stick was found along the path she normally took. The picture on the right is an age progression of Vanessa.

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