

# CALIFORNIA POLICE STUMPED ON VANISHING MAN WITH DEMENTIA

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Lawrence "Larry" Atchison, a man diagnosed with dementia has been missing since February 27th, 2023, and local authorities stumped. Larry walked out of his home in Santa Rosa, CA, and he has not been seen since.



Finding Larry Atchison

"This is the longest search we've had in years," said Sonoma County Sheriff's Deputy Rob Dillion. "We don't have any information as to where he might be, or where he's gone. We have nothing now going into our third week".

Atchison's disappearance remains a mystery despite multi-agency search and rescue efforts on land and from the air. Almost Immediately after his disappearance law enforcement, emergency personnel, and search and rescue began to extensively comb the area for any sign of the missing man. Helicopters and drones were deployed. Including a passionate widespread community, looking for any sign of the at-risk elder.

"How can a man walk out of his home in such a densely populated neighborhood, and only get captured by a couple home surveillance cameras". said Larry's son-in-law and New York City iHeart radio personality Sean "Hollywood" Hamilton. "With such a tragic ailment, he still continued to smile and never once heard him complain. Our family is determined to find him".

Mrs. Atchison created a Facebook page where the community all gathers in their continuing search for her husband.

### **LINK: Finding Lawrence (aka "Larry") Atchison in Santa Rosa**

Larry was diagnosed with dementia approximately three years ago. He is married to Cecilia Mariana Gachet-Atchison, who is tirelessly involved in the search taking place 24/7.

Atchison is 64-years-old and reportedly 6'0" weighing 190 pounds. His hair is grey, his eyes are brown, and he was last seen wearing a black Columbia jacket without a hood, dark blue jeans, and black slip-on shoes.

Law enforcement reported that due to his dementia, he "does not know how to navigate his way around the city and will not know how to return home".

According to the the Alzheimer's Association more than 6 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's. By 2050, this number is projected to rise to nearly 13 million. 1 in 3 seniors dies with Alzheimer's or another dementia. It kills more than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined. In 2020, COVID-19 contributed to a 17% increase in Alzheimer's and dementia deaths.

The Santa Rosa California and state-wide Police Departments asks that if anyone has information about Atchison or sees him to **call (707) 528-5222 or 911.**

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