



APPEAL FOR WITNESSES: DEATH OF TOBIAS MOLLOY (18 Years old) 16TH JULY 1972

Tobias Molloy was returning to Strabane from Lifford on 16th July 1972 when he was struck on the chest by a rubber bullet fired by the British Army. Tobias died of his injuries.

The incident took place at the “Camel’s Hump” British Army checkpoint in the early hours of the morning (Sunday night/ Monday morning.) Earlier that evening Tobias had attended a dance at the Inter Counties Hotel in Lifford, and was returning to Strabane after leaving his girlfriend home.

Tobias’ family are appealing for witnesses who may have seen the incident that night.

Anne Caldwell, Tobias’ cousin, said

“It is now coming up on 43 years since Tobias was killed, at 18 years of age, by a rubber bullet on his way home from Lifford. There has never been any proper disclosure on the circumstances surrounding Tobias’ death or any reason as to why he was singled out that night. Tobias’ family would dearly love to hear from anyone who knows anything that might shine some light on the circumstances surrounding his tragic and untimely death.”

The Pat Finucane Centre is supporting Tobias’ family with this witness appeal. They will be holding a private clinic in Strabane this week for those who may have information and want to speak confidentially about the incident.

WHERE: Strabane District Caring Services, 32-36 Bridge Street, Strabane

WHEN: Thursday 14th May 5 pm – 7pm; Friday 15th May 12 noon – 2pm

PFC caseworkers can also be contacted, in confidence, at our offices in the Ráth Mor Centre, Bligh Lane, Derry, Monday – Friday 9am-5pm.

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