

Man sentenced in Marshall Co homicide

**(KMZA)--A man charged in the death of an elderly Vermillion man in 2020 has been sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole for 25 years.**

**Jeremy Penix II, of Melvern, was handed the sentence this week in Marshall County District on a charge of first-degree murder in the death of 83-year-old Donald McLaughlin.**

**Penix pleaded no contest in October to the charge along with charges of aggravated robbery and arson.**

**McLaughlin's body was found inside the ruins of his burned out home on January 24, 2020.**

**Co-defendant Jefferson Goad, of Waverly, pleaded guilty in October to a reduced charge of second-degree murder along with charges of aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary and arson.**

**Goad is scheduled to be sentenced December 14.**

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