

St. Joseph man charged in beating death of daughter

ST. JOSEPH, Mo. (AP) — A 37-year-old St. Joseph, Missouri man is accused of beating his 6-year-old daughter to death with a bat.

Dustin Beechner is charged with child abuse resulting in death. During a brief court hearing Wednesday, a judge ordered that Beechner be held without bond.

St. Joseph police say they were called to a home last Friday and found the child dead with blunt force trauma to the head.

According to investigators, Police said Beechner led officers to the house's roof, where they found a child, identified as Jozlyn Marie Beechner, covered in a white sheet.

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