

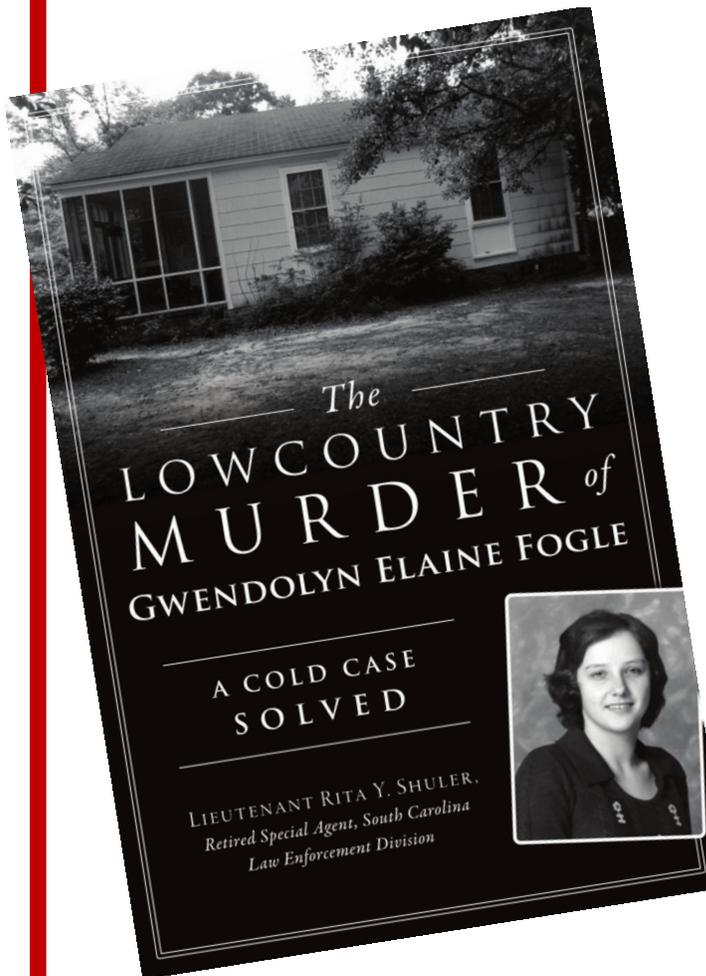
SAVE THE DATE !

Tuesday, June 22, 2021, 7:00 pm

Meet the Author: RITA SHULER

For decades, evidence of the 1978 murder of Gwendolyn Elaine Fogle lay in the evidence room at the Walterboro Police Department. Investigators periodically revisited the case over the years, but it remained the department's top cold case for thirty-seven years. **Special Agent Lieutenant Rita Shuler** worked on the case shortly after she joined the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED), and she couldn't let it go, not even after her retirement in 2001. In May 2015, Lieutenant Shuler teamed up with new investigator Corporal Gean Johnson, and together they uncovered key evidence that had been overlooked. With new advancements in DNA and fingerprint technology, they brought the case to its end in just four months.

Join Shuler on Tuesday, June 22nd, at the museum as she shares details of the history of this finally solved case. Bring your copy of the book or purchase one at the museum for her to sign. We are looking forward to having this event. Covid protocol and social distancing will be in place. This limits the number allowed so reserve your place early by calling the museum at 803-897-2225.



Lieutenant Rita Y. Shuler was supervisory special agent of the Forensic Photography Department of the South Carolina Law Enforcement Division (SLED) for twenty-four and a half years. She interfaced with the Attorney General's Office, solicitors and investigators, providing photographic evidence assistance in the prosecution of thousands of criminal cases. Her interest in photography stated as a hobby as the age of nine with a Kodak "Brownie" camera. Before her career as a forensic photographer, she worked in the medical field as a radiologic technologist for twelve years. Her interest in forensic science evolved when she X-rayed homicide victims to assist with criminal investigations. Shuler received her specialized law enforcement photography training at the South Carolina Criminal Justice Academy in Columbia, South Carolina, and the FBI Academy in Quantico, Virginia. She holds a special love for the South Carolina Low-country and enjoys walking, beaching, crabbing, fishing, and shark tooth hunting. She resides in Johns Island, South Carolina.