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FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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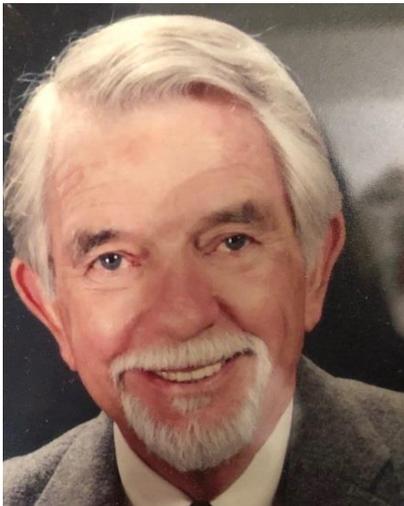
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LPR Technology Helps Quickly Locate Missing and Endangered Palm Coast Man

Tuesday evening the Flagler County Sheriff's Office (FCSO) responded to 9 Crossleaf Court in response to a call for a missing adult. A caretaker for David Morgan Triplett, La Ketica Moore, told deputies that Triplett, 86, had left the residence around 5:50 p.m. to run a few errands but did not return.

Moore was very concerned because this was the first time Triplett had not returned home and is experiencing the early signs of dementia. FCSO searched throughout the county for Triplett and issued a statewide Silver Alert for the 2002 Ford Explorer with Florida Tag Y69NIU that Triplett was driving.

Two hours later, FCSO was notified that the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office (SJSO) had received a hit on their License Plate Readers (LPR) matching Triplett's vehicle. SJSO deputies were able to make contact with Triplett and advised that he was in good health. Moore was contacted and arrangements were made to bring Triplett home.



Left: David Triplett, 86, in a recent photo. Right: A photo of the 2002 Ford Explorer that Triplett was driving.

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“This is another great example of how we are using technology to not only the fight against crime but to keep our citizens safe,” Sheriff Staly said. “I want to thank SJSO for their help in locating Mr. Triplett quickly and helping us bring him home safely.”

Whether deputies are searching for a dangerous criminal, a missing person, or a stolen vehicle, LPRs help solve cases quicker. Additionally, LPRs save taxpayers money by reducing man hours needed to quickly locating persons of interest.

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