

On the behalf of my family and I, we would like to make a statement concerning the recent arrest in my son's case, Cole Thomas.

Today marks 235 days since our son Cole Thomas vanished from our lives, this has been the most devastating thing that has hit our family, ever. We have desperately waited for answers to where Cole is, we pray this will be the start of finding him.

We cannot express our gratitude to all those who have supported us through this nightmare and all who are aiding in bringing those to justice; there are too many to name.

We will continue to seek the truth and will not give up, not give in until Cole Thomas is home again and whoever is responsible for his disappearance or harming him is prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

Thank you for allowing us to keep our message out there concerning our son Cole Thomas; at a later date we will provide an interview, we have to allow time for the process.

**Chris Thomas**  
**Father of Cole Thomas**