



**Sheriff Eric B. Hess**

# **FLUVANNA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**May 8, 2026**

## **Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office Announces Arrest in Child Abuse Investigation**

The Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office received information in July 2025 regarding allegations of physical and sexual abuse involving children who were residents of Fluvanna County approximately 12 years ago.

The investigation remains ongoing. Investigators identified the suspect as Randolph Scott Garr, of Weston, West Virginia. In April 2026, a Fluvanna County Grand Jury returned four separate indictments charging Garr with the following offenses:

- Sodomy with a Victim Less than 13 Years of Age (§18.2-67.1)
- Strangulation Resulting in Injury or Wounding (§18.2-51.6)
- Two counts of Child Cruelty (§18.2-371.1)

On May 8, 2026, investigators with the Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office, in coordination with the West Virginia State Police Violent Crimes Task Force and Troop 3 Weston Detachment, took Garr into custody at his residence without incident. A booking photograph of Garr is attached to this release.

Garr was booked pending extradition to the Commonwealth of Virginia at a later date.

As the investigation has progressed, investigators have identified the possibility of additional victims. The Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office urges anyone with information related to crimes against children or child exploitation involving Garr to contact investigators immediately.

The Sheriff's Office can be reached at (434) 589-8211 for both local and out-of-state callers. Investigators believe Garr has lived in or spent significant time in Central Virginia, Halifax North Carolina, and the Buckhannon area of West Virginia, where he may have had access to children in multiple jurisdictions.

The Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the Halifax County Sheriff's Office of North Carolina and the West Virginia State Police for their assistance during this investigation.

The Fluvanna County Sheriff's Office also encourages anyone with information regarding any crimes against children or suspected abuse to report it immediately. Community reporting plays a critical role in protecting children and assisting law enforcement in holding offenders accountable.

This investigation remains active and ongoing. No further information is scheduled for release at this time.

— Major David R. Wells

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Figure 1: Booking Photo of Randolph S. Garr  
- Courtesy of the West Virginia State Police -



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