

***Maricopa County Sheriff's Office***  
***Joe Arpaio, Sheriff***  
***News Brief***

***News for July 15, 2009***

**Maricopa County Sheriff's detectives arrested Francis Ray Collins, DOB 6/28/64, yesterday on one count of second degree murder in connection to the death of Collins' wife Linda Steer, DOB 6/22/59.**

**A two-year investigation has provided enough probable cause to arrest Collins on suspicion of the murder of Linda Steer which occurred at Apache Lake on May 24, 2007. Collins originally reported that Steer had fallen over a cliff at the lake causing her death.**

**Collins was arrested at his home in Sun Lakes and booked into the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Jail where he is held on \$180,000 bond.**

