

Editorial

A Killer at Large

The village of Ruby, and people from up and down the Yukon River have said good-bye to Agnes Wright. But even as the grieving continues, her killer is still at large. Even as full awareness of Aggie's parting sinks in, we are faced with a painful, frightening question: Was it a stranger - an outsider, or one of us?

If the assailant is a local person from Ruby or a nearby village, it is possible that friends or relatives have some knowledge that might be useful to investigators in serving justice for Aggie and her family. If so, there might a strong temptation to keep the information private. This would be understandable. We experience a range of feelings from shock and disbelief to fear that the urban-dominated justice system would not only prosecute, but persecute a local suspect and those around them.

But to those with any information about this terrifying crime, we say: Think of Aggie. Think of how the not knowing weighs on those who loved her. Think of responsibility and its deepest implications and please come forward.