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## **Islip man convicted of beating teen to death in 2011**

**A Suffolk County jury has convicted a 23 year old Islip man of murder in the second degree for beating his former high school friend Kyle Underhill to death and burying the 18-year old alive in a swamp in a wooded area on Brook Street in Islip on Nov. 16, 2011, Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said.**

**The jury began deliberations in Riverhead this morning and convicted Thomas Liming this afternoon. Liming's trial began on September 28.**

**"The victim suffered a brutal death. He was struck in the head at least nineteen times according to the medical examiner's office. He was choked, two sticks were rammed down his throat, and then he was left to die in the muck of a swamp while he was still alive," District Attorney Spota said. Kyle Underhill's body was found two days later.**

**"We will ask that Mr. Liming be sentenced to the maximum term of imprisonment allowed by law – 25 years to life in an upstate correctional facility."**

**State Supreme Court Justice Mark Cohen will sentence Liming on December 14.**

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