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## Missing Person

**Location of Incident:** 16000 block of South Avenue A – Somerton, AZ

On Sunday, July 1, 2018, at approximately 4:00 p.m., the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of missing person from the 16000 block of South Avenue A.

Deputies spoke to the reporting party who stated that the missing person, identified as Basil Matthew Varner, 54, of Somerton, was last seen on Saturday, June 30, 2018 leaving the El Charo Restaurant in Yuma, AZ.

Mr. Varner is described as 6 feet tall, approximately 170 pounds, with brown hair and brown eyes. He was last seen driving a gray 1992 Jeep Cherokee with lights mounted on the bumper with Arizona License plate number BZE-5900. Mr. Varner is on multiple medications for a medical condition.

Continuous efforts to locate Mr. Varner by family and the Sheriff's Office have been unsuccessful.



*Basil Matthew Varner*

Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of Mr. Varner is asked to contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at [www.yumacountysheriff.org](http://www.yumacountysheriff.org) to submit an anonymous tip.

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