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VICTIM IN APRIL 11 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSAULT DIES

The victim of a domestic violence assault that occurred last Friday (April 11, 2008) died last night at a local hospital.

On April 11, 2008, at approximately 7:00 a.m., Eduardo Duarte, 37, went to Ana Valdez' residence in the 3100 block of Via Tonga in Otay Mesa West. Valdez, 41, and Duarte were formerly involved in a romantic relationship, and they have a child together. Duarte and Valdez became involved in an argument, and Duarte forced Valdez to the balcony of her second-story condominium.

Duarte picked Valdez up and threw her over the railing. Valdez struck her head and suffered a serious head injury that led to her death at 7:30 p.m. yesterday.

Duarte was arrested on the day of the incident, and he will be charged with murder.

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