Two Suspects Arrested in Homicide Investigation



Josiah Garrison



Ramon Duker

Delaware State Police Homicide Unit is currently conducting a homicide investigation that began Thursday morning in Laurel, DE.

On April 7th, 2022, at approximately 12:24 a.m., troopers responded to the 18000 block of Laurel Road in Laurel, DE for a report of a shooting. Responding troopers located the victim, a 49-year-old Laurel man, in the driveway suffering

from a gunshot wound to his upper torso. The ensuing investigation revealed that two subjects had been involved in an altercation with the victim at this residence. During the encounter, the suspects robbed and shot the victim. The suspects then ordered an acquaintance of the victim at gunpoint to drive them away from the scene.

The victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification is pending notification to the next of kin.

Through investigative measures, it was determined that the two suspects involved in this incident were 18-year-old **Josiah Garrison** of Denton, MD and 21-year-old **Ramon Duker** of Millsboro, DE. On April 7th, 2022 at approximately 2:20 p.m., Garrison traveled to Beebe Medical Center in Lewes, DE seeking treatment for an injury. Garrison was accompanied by Duker at the hospital. Troopers responded to Beebe Medical Center and took both suspects into custody.

Garrison and Duker were transported to Troop 7 and charged with the following crimes:

- Murder First Degree (Felony)
- Robbery First Degree (Felony)
- Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony (Felony)
- Kidnapping Second Degree (Felony)
- Conspiracy First Degree (Felony)

Garrison and Duker were arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court # 2 and both were committed to Sussex Correctional Institution on $1,146,000 cash bond.

Delaware State Police Homicide Unit asks anyone who witnessed or has information regarding this incident to contact Detective B. McDerby by calling 302-741-2821. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the **Delaware State Police** or contacting **Delaware Crime Stoppers** at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet

at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/**Delaware Victim Center** is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at **DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov**.

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