

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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## **Suspect jailed in Thanksgiving Day slaying**



Suspect David Spruill

Shreveport Police detectives have charged a Coushatta man in connection with a Thanksgiving day slaying which claimed the life of a local man.

At approximately 8:47 p.m. on November 23, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers were dispatched to the 1800 block of Live Oak Drive in reference to a single vehicle crash. Moments after being dispatched, officers were notified of a vehicle burglary in progress a block away from the crash, in the 1900 block of Live Oak Drive. As patrolmen arrived at the scene of the vehicle crash, they immediately located the body of a deceased white male inside the back seat of a blue Chevrolet Cavalier, suffering fatal injuries. It appeared the man, whose identity has not been released, had been shot. No driver or additional passengers were present upon the arrival of officers. Patrolmen saturating the area, located and detained a male walking nearby, who was described by neighbors as the man who was spotted attempting to burglarize a car near the crash site. The man, identified as 29 year old David Spruill of the 200 block of Leroy Adcock Road in Coushatta, Louisiana, was found suffering injuries to the head, potentially associated with the aforementioned car crash on Live Oak Drive.

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes detectives were notified of the incident and responded to the scene to head up the investigation. Authorities, after gathering on scene evidence and conducting supplemental interviews, were able to link Spruill to the attempted vehicle burglary as well as the slaying of the man located inside the crashed vehicle. Based on preliminary information police suspect Spruill was present at a home in the 9100 block of Linwood Avenue when the slaying occurred. At some point following the slaying, it is believed Spruill drove away from the Linwood Avenue home traveling with the deceased mans body, subsequently crashing and fleeing from the wrecked out car. It is suspected Spruill then attempted to flee the area by attempting to break into a car. Following interviews with investigators at police headquarters, Spruill was charged with a single count of attempted vehicle burglary and a single count of Second Degree Murder.

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