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UPDATE: Arrest made in Tuesday Morning Homicide



Shonda Walker

Christopher Barton

A Shreveport woman faces murder charges in the wake of an investigation into the death of a local man shot early Tuesday morning.

On December 1, 2020 just before 1 a.m., officers responded to the 3600 block of Colquitt Road relative to a shooting. After arriving on scene, officers located Travis Smiley (age 37) lying outside a residence near this location. Smiley had sustained a fatal gunshot injury to the upper body. Due to the severity of his injury, the victim had succumbed. Homicide investigators launched their investigation immediately and following days long investigation, detectives were able to identify Shonda Walker (06/21/1985 DOB) as a suspect in his murder. An arrest warrant was procured for Walker charging her with one count of Second Degree Murder. Bond was set at \$ 5 million dollars.

Earlier this morning, Walker was located at a motel in Athens, Texas. With the assistance of Athens Police Department and United States Marshal's Task Force, Shreveport detectives were able to take Walker into custody. She was booked into the Henderson County Jail. Walker currently awaits extradition to back to Shreveport where she will be booked into the Caddo Correctional Center.

Investigators also charged Christopher Barton (01/22/79 DOB) with one count of Obstruction of Justice in connection with this homicide. He was booked into the Shreveport City Jail. Bond has not been set. **This investigation is still on-going.**