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Arrest made mid-July homicide



John Wayne Morgan

Patrick Stricklin

Donavyn Simpson

Larrion Hawkins

On July 13, 2021, Shreveport Police patrol officers responded to reports of a shooting in the 300 block of Mayfair. On their arrival they located 22-year-old Dartreyus Demarce Wesley suffering from multiple gunshot injuries. He was transported to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Investigators with Shreveport Police Department's Violent Crimes and Crime Scene Units responded to the scene and launched their investigation. CSIU photographed the scene and collected evidence and Homicide detectives began interviewing witnesses and searching for video surveillance footage and other evidence. Detectives continued their investigation and following a months long endeavor, they were able to use investigative tools, techniques, and evidence to identify four men they believe responsible for Wesley's murder.

On October 29, 2021, Homicide detectives procured warrants charging John Wayne Morgan (7-28-2002), Patrick Stricklin (8-21-1998), Donavyn Simpson (3-29-1998), and Larrion Hawkins (9-9-2002) with one count each of Second-Degree Murder. No bond was set. All of the men, except Patrick Stricklin, were in custody at Caddo Correctional Center charged with unrelated violent crimes. Stricklin had recently bonded out on other charges as well. He was taken into custody at the Shreveport Police Department and booked into the Shreveport City Jail.