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Fugitive Wanted for 2017 Homicide Captured in Texas



Keithon Lovelace

The Shreveport Police Department has taken a long-sought homicide suspect into custody after nearly eight years on the run.

On April 27, 2017, SPD officers responded to a shooting in the 7400 block of Line Avenue, where they discovered 29-year-old Randy Taylor suffering from a gunshot wound to the upper body. Taylor was transported to Ochsner LSU Health, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

Through an extensive investigation, Violent Crimes detectives identified 42-year-old Keithon Lovelace as the suspect. An arrest warrant was issued for Lovelace on one count of second-degree murder, but despite numerous efforts, officers were unable to locate him. Over the years, intelligence suggested that Lovelace had left the Shreveport area, complicating efforts to bring him to justice.

Recently, SPD detectives received information that Lovelace had been living under an alias in Panola County, Texas. Authorities there took Lovelace into custody on narcotics-related offenses under a false name. Further investigation revealed his true identity, and his outstanding warrant for second-degree murder was executed.

Lovelace has since been extradited to Caddo Parish, where he will now face charges for the 2017 homicide.

The Shreveport Police Department commends the hard work and dedication of our Violent Crimes detectives and law enforcement partners in bringing this fugitive to justice.