

# *Shreveport Police Dept.*



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## **Suspect sought in fatal shooting**

Shreveport Police investigators are seeking the identity and whereabouts of the suspect or suspects who fatally shot a Shreveport man Thursday evening in east Shreveport.

Just before 6:30 p.m. on April 27, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to a shooting in the 900 block of Ascalon Street, where an adult male had been shot multiple times. As officers arrived at the scene, it was learned the victim had been moved from the home by a private vehicle in efforts to take him to the hospital; however, before their arrival at the hospital, the driver of the vehicle stopped in the 7400 block of Line Avenue at the advisement of 911 operators who had already dispatched Shreveport Fire Department EMS workers. The shooting victim, identified as 30 year old Randy Taylor, was subsequently loaded into an ambulance and taken to University Health hospital where he later died.

Shreveport Police Violent Crimes detectives were called to the scene of the crime along with Crime Scene investigators, in efforts to gather details and evidence into what provoked the tragic turn of events. Preliminary information suggests Taylor was outside of the Ascalon Street home, when shots rang out from an unknown source. While authorities have not determined who fired the shots, they have reason to suspect multiple shooter shooters were involved. During the course of the investigation, detectives learned the location of a pair of semi-automatic rifles that were reportedly thrown into an abandoned residence located in the 900 block of Palestine Street. Police believe the weapons may have been used in the shooting prior to being discarded and have since been recovered as evidence in the incident. Additionally, investigators arrested 29 year old Tarray Latson, of the 900 block of Ascalon Street after a search warrant of his home uncovered nearly 25 grams of suspect marijuana. Police have not charged Latson in the shooting; however, the case remains under active investigation. Authorities believe that the illegal narcotics were likely a causative factor in the crime. As police investigators seek more leads in the tragedy, persons with any information about the shooting are asked to contact Crimestoppers at (318) 673-7373 or visit their website at: [www.lockemup.org](http://www.lockemup.org). Crimestoppers is offering a reward of up to \$1,000.00 dollars for information leading to the arrest of the suspects in this crime.

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