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Man killed amid attack on local woman

A Shreveport man has died from wounds he received after allegedly attacking a woman leaving her west Shreveport home Tuesday morning.

Just after 7:30 a.m. on May 23, 2017, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to the Country Club Marina Apartments located in the 4300 block of Lakeshore Drive relative to a shooting which occurred outside one of the complex's buildings. As officers arrived at the scene, they discovered 37 year old Leeartavious Barrett suffering a gunshot wound to the head. Barrett was taken by ambulance to University Health hospital for treatment of what was described as life-threatening injuries. On arrival at the hospital it was learned Barrett was in possession of a handgun, found inside clothing he was wearing. While at the crime scene, officers detained an adult female who reportedly shot Barrett after he committed an unprovoked and violent attack on her as she was leaving her apartment home Tuesday morning.

Preliminary information gathered by detectives suggests Barrett had been loitering around the breezeway near the victim's apartment when the attack occurred. During the ordeal, it was determined the victim was struck repeatedly in the face and head and was in the process of being strangled around the neck when she managed to grab a small caliber handgun she was in possession of and shot Barrett. The victim suffered injuries and torn clothing consistent with statements obtained by investigators. The woman was taken to Shreveport Police headquarters where she was interviewed by authorities regarding the incident. Following subsequent interviews, the woman was released. On May 24, 2017, it was learned Barrett has succumbed to his injuries at University Health Hospital. While no charges have been filed, the case will be submitted to officials at the Caddo Parish District Attorney's Office for further review.

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