



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 03/22/24

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 03/21/24

Time: 11:28 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 1700 block of E. Sycamore St.

Zone: 5

Precinct: 12

Incident Report #: 240198439

Cruiser District: 123

Victim: Marchelle Freeman	Sex: Female	Race: Black	Age: 60
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Suspect: Stewart Butler	Address:		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arrested	<input type="checkbox"/> Warrant on File	Sex: Male	Race: Black Age: 64
Charges: Murder			
Suspect:	Address:		
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Incident Summary:
 On March 21, 2024, at 11:28 PM, Columbus Police officers were dispatched to the 1700 block of E. Sycamore St. on a shooting. Upon arrival, the officers found the victim, identified as MARCHELLE FREEMAN, F/B/60, suffering from a gunshot wound. Columbus Fire medics arrived and pronounced the victim deceased at 11:42 PM. Next of kin notification has been made.

The suspect, identified as STEWART BUTLER, M/B/64, was detained at the scene and charged with Murder. The preliminary investigation revealed domestic violence as a possible motive. The investigation continues.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Columbus Police Detective Camp-Donovan at (614) 645-2557, the Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730, or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Camp-Donovan is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Jude.

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