



Chief of Police Carl Dabadie

News Release

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MURDER ARREST

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The suspect in the below described case is expected to be transported from the Violent Crimes Unit at LSP HQ at approximately 2:00pm today for any media wishing to obtain photographs. For the security of everyone, any media present will be required to remain a safe distance and must not approach the prisoner or the detectives.

Update 08-31-17

Baton Rouge Police Detectives, with the assistance of the LSP Fugitive Task Force, have arrested DARYEL JOHNSON, 34 of 9074 Great Smokey Avenue in connection with the death of DALE SANDS.

Robbery appears to be the motive.

JOHNSON will be booked in the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison for First Degree Murder, Armed Robbery, Intimidating a Witness and Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle.

Update 08-24-17

The deceased shooting victim has been identified as DALE SANDS, 53, 18428 KEYSTONE AVE. Police believe Sands was shot sometime on Tuesday, August 22, 2017 in the Oak Villa and Great Smokey Ave area.

Anyone with information on this shooting death is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

Original 08-23-17

Baton Rouge Police detectives are investigating the murder of a male victim that was found lying in overgrown vegetation in the backyard of 9074 Great Smokey Ave around 3:00pm this afternoon.

The victim died from apparent gunshot wounds.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information on this incident is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

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