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Glendale Police Arrest Homicide Suspect

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On February 9, 2018 at approximately 1:30 PM, Glendale patrol officers responded to 5500 W St John, in reference to a family fight. A female called 911 stating that a male there assaulting his step dad. While officers were arriving to the call the caller stated the victim had also been dragged down the street by a truck the son was driving. Officers did locate a 57-year-old male victim, Terrence Ayers, who had been fatally injured on scene. Terrence was treated by police and the Glendale Fire Department and transported to a local hospital. Terrence did pass away due to the injuries he received on scene.

The suspect initially fled in the vehicle from the scene. He has been positively identified as 30-year-old Tyrus Ellis. Through the course of the investigation it was determined that Tyrus assaulted Terrence over a domestic dispute involving using a vehicle. The fight continued in the vehicle and Terrence was dragged down the street approximately 300 feet.

On February 11, 2018, Tyrus did return to the residence and 911 was called by another party at the home. Tyrus did attempt to flee from officers but was taken into custody a short time later. Tyrus was arrested and charged with the murder of Terrence Ayers.

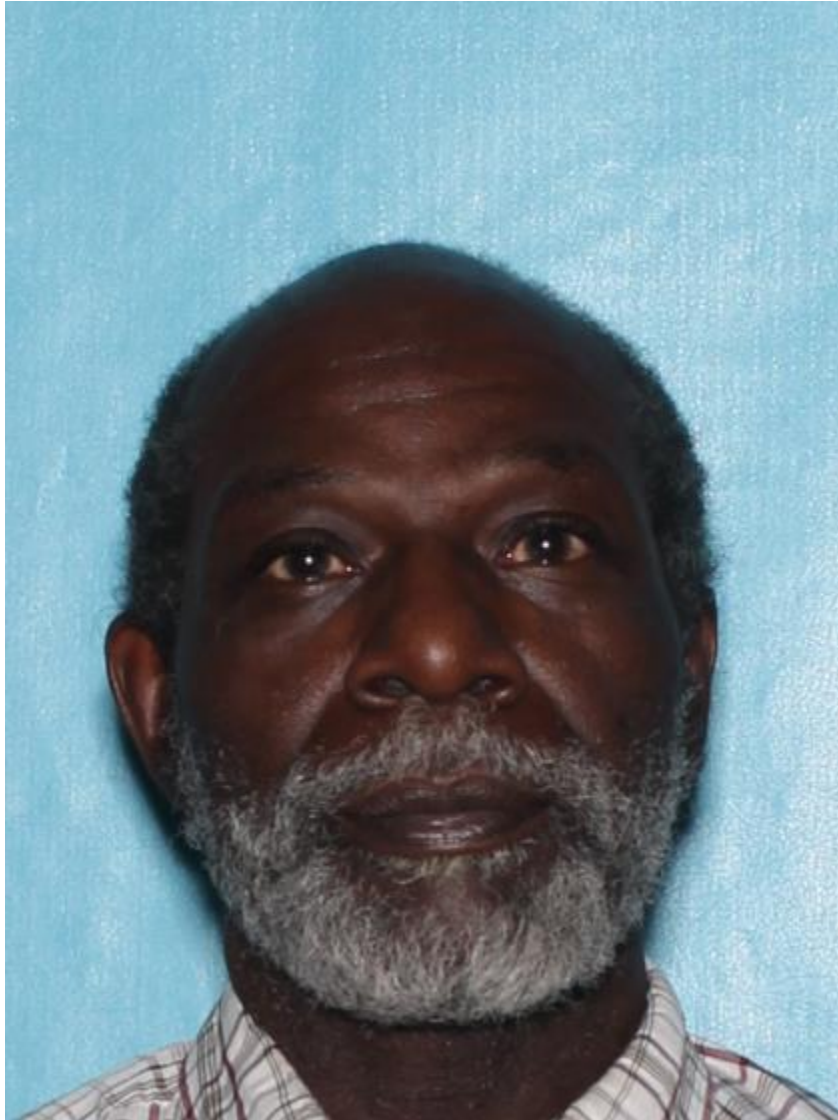
Photographs of Tyrus Ellis and Terrence Ayers have been included with this press release.

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Terrence Ayers (Victim)



Tyrus Ellis (Suspect)