

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Homicide Investigation

On 2/23/23 at 8:46 PM, the DeKalb Police Department was notified about a male who had been dropped off at Northwestern Medicine-Kishwaukee Hospital with a gunshot wound to the abdomen. Due to the life-threatening nature of his injuries, he was airlifted to a Rockford hospital where he subsequently died while receiving medical treatment. The investigation quickly led to the identification of a male suspect, who was placed under surveillance. Officers saw him enter a Jeep Grand Cherokee in the 800 block of Ridge Drive at 11:49 PM and attempted to stop the vehicle. The suspect fled from police, ultimately going eastbound on I-88 at a high rate of speed where he was eventually stopped near Midwest Road at 12:26 AM with the assistance of the Kane County Sheriff's Office and Illinois State Police. Calvin Hamilton was taken into custody and brought back to the DeKalb Police Department. Additional witnesses were located and it was determined that Deandre Brooks had been shot by Hamilton during a dispute while they were traveling in a vehicle on I-88 between Route 47 and Peace Road returning to DeKalb. The case remains under investigation and additional charges against Hamilton are anticipated.

Deceased: Deandre Brooks of DeKalb, 34 years of age

Arrested: Calvin Hamilton of DeKalb, 40 years of age

Charges: First Degree Murder

****All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty****

If you witnessed this incident or have any information that can help with this investigation, please contact the DeKalb Police Department.

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