



MEDIA RELEASE



McLean County Sheriff's Office
Bloomington Police Department & McLean County Coroner's Office

For Immediate Release: November 27, 2023

Death Investigation

McLean County Coroner Dr. Kathy Yoder is releasing the following information regarding a male body that was found in a ditch off 1025 East Road, Heyworth, Illinois on November 25, 2023.

Pronounced deceased at the scene on November 25, 2023, was Jamere D. Bew, age 31, of Bloomington, Illinois. Preliminary autopsy opinion indicates that Mr. Bew died from multiple gunshot wounds. Toxicology testing is pending.

The release of any additional information or formal criminal charges will be made by the McLean County Sheriff's Office at a later time.

This incident remains under investigation by the McLean County Coroner's Office, McLean County Sheriff's Office, the Bloomington Police Department, and the Illinois State Police. Anyone with information is asked to contact McLean County Sheriff's Office Detective Hanner at 309-888-5063, Lieutenant Tuttle at 309-888-5928, or the McLean County Sheriff's Office at 309-888-5019.

Previous Release

Funks Grove Township, McLean County, IL - On Saturday, November 25, 2023, at approximately 7:00 a.m., McLean County Sheriff's deputies were dispatched to the area of 1375 East Road and 700 North Road, for a report for a female who was looking for a male. The male was alleged to be the victim of violence. The Sheriff's Office arrived on scene and saturated the area in search of the victim.

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Additional investigation led deputies and officers with the Bloomington Police Department to an apartment in the 1600 block of Springfield Road, in Bloomington. A search warrant was served at the residence with the assistance of McLean County Sheriff's deputies, the Bloomington Police Department SWAT Team, and the Bloomington Police Department Crisis Negotiation Unit. Two subjects were detained from within the apartment.

At approximately 12:30 p.m., the McLean County Sheriff's Office was notified of a male lying in a ditch, in the area of Route 136 and 1025 East Road. When deputies arrived, they located an unresponsive male in the ditch off of 1025 East Road. The McLean County Coroner's Office and Illinois State Police Crime Scene Unit were requested to the scene.

The male was pronounced deceased at the scene by the McLean County Coroner's Office. The name of the victim is pending release by the McLean County Coroner's Office.

Due to the ongoing investigation, no additional information is being released at this time. Anyone with information is asked to contact McLean County Sheriff's Office Detective Hanner at 309-888-5063, Lieutenant Tuttle at 309-888-5928, or the McLean County Sheriff's Office at 309-888-5019.

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