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## **UPDATE Suspect in Fatal Home Invasion Arrested in Missouri**

On August 31, 2020, the US Marshal's Service Task Force located and arrested the primary murder suspect on outstanding warrants. The Marshal's tracked the suspect to Independence, Missouri and took him into custody. These warrants were obtained by LCSO violent crimes detectives for the August 27, 2020 homicide that occurred during a home invasion in which the victim was fatally shot. Evidence collected on scene by detectives was examined by the Florida Department of Law Enforcement (FDLE) Crime Lab, which led to arrest warrants for the suspect. The investigation remains open and active at this time. Pursuant to Florida State Statute Chapter 119, suspect photo and information are being withheld. Case records have been sealed by court order as well.

LCSO recognizes the work of violent crimes detectives, FDLE Crime Lab, and the US Marshals Service Task Force in this investigation. Their collaborative efforts were instrumental in the arrest of the suspect.

The suspect is currently incarcerated in Missouri awaiting extradition back to Leon County.



CHARGES: Homicide Robbery – Home Invasion Burglary with Person Battered Possession of Weapon by Felon

## LCSO Investigates Fatal Home Invasion

On August 27, 2020, around 10:35 pm, deputies with the Leon County Sheriff's Office were called to a residence in the 7000 block of Ox Bow Circle in reference to a home invasion. When deputies arrived, they discovered a 25-year-old victim deceased inside the residence. In accordance with Florida's Marsy's law, all victims' information is being protected.

Detectives with LCSO's Violent Crimes Unit responded to the residence to assume the investigation. Detectives are asking if citizens have any information, or relevant video please contact 850-606-3488, or to remain anonymous, please call Big Bend Crime Stoppers at 850 574-TIPS (8477).



