



Lake County Major Crime Task Force Media Release

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Lindenhurst Death Investigation

On October 16, 2018, at approximately 2:30AM, Lindenhurst Police Officers were dispatched to a single-family residence in the 300 block of Teal Road, Lindenhurst, for a possible robbery. Lindenhurst Officers learned from the 911 caller that someone had been shot during the incident.

Lindenhurst Officers arrived and found an adult male deceased. Lindenhurst Police requested the assistance of the Lake County Major Crime Task Force.

Lindenhurst Investigators and Lake County Major Crime Task Force Investigators continue to investigate the incident. This appears to be an isolated event and there is no active threat to the community.

The Lake County Coroner's Office will conduct an autopsy this afternoon on the deceased man.

Additional details will be provided as they become available.

Update

Throughout the day Lake County Major Crime Task Force and Lindenhurst Investigators continued investigating this incident. Investigators discovered two men, Michael J. Zachery, 23, of 1600 block of Simpson Street, Evanston, and the deceased 34-year-old of Chicago, drove to a residence in the 300 block of Teal Road to purchase a firearm.

Shortly after arriving and speaking with the victim (the firearm seller), the men attempted to rob the victim, striking the victim numerous times with a hammer. The victim shot one of the

robbery offenders, and that individual (the 34-year-old Chicago man) was subsequently pronounced deceased. Someone from inside the home dialed 911. Lindenhurst Officers arrived and apprehended Zachery, who was being held at the scene by one of the residents.

This evening, the Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved charges of First Degree Murder and Armed Robbery for Zachery, for his involvement in the incident which resulted in a death. He is due in court for an initial hearing on October 17, 2018, at 9:00AM in courtroom T110.

All suspects are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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