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Shreveport Police Arrest Suspect in Murder of 16-Year-Old Hailey McDonald



Jon Darius Scott

On July 27, 2025, at approximately 1:40 a.m., Shreveport Police Department patrol officers responded to a shooting at 1727 N. Market Street, near Superior Smoke Shop.

Upon arrival, officers located 16-year-old Hailey McDonald suffering from a gunshot wound to the upper body. She was transported by Shreveport Fire Department medics to Ochsner LSU Health, where she succumbed to her injuries shortly after arrival.

Investigators determined that a large crowd had gathered in the shopping center parking lot prior to the incident. During the gathering, multiple vehicles exchanged gunfire in the roadway, and Hailey was struck during the exchange.

On August 18, 2025, investigators obtained an arrest warrant for Jon Darius Scott (06/15/2000) for Illegal Use of Weapons (LA RS 14:94) in connection with this case.

Today, August 29, 2025, investigators with the Shreveport Police Homicide Unit, in coordination with the U.S. Marshals Task Force and the Special Response Team (SRT), executed a search warrant at a location where Scott was found. He was taken into custody without incident and transported to the Shreveport Police Investigations Division.

Detectives gathered additional information linking Scott to the homicide, and he was subsequently charged with one count of Second Degree Murder (RS 14:30.1).

The Shreveport Police Department extends its gratitude to the U.S. Marshals Task Force and SRT for their vital assistance in apprehending this suspect.

Our thoughts and prayers remain with the family and loved ones of Hailey McDonald as they continue to grieve this tragic and senseless loss.