



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: Update 10/22/21

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Type of Offense/Incident: Shooting - Homicide

Date: September 6, 2021 Time: 10:14pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 2100 block of Haviland Drive

Zone: 2

Precinct: 13

Incident Report #: 210675015

Cruiser District: 132

Victim: Donnie R. Ferguson	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 43
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Suspect: Brandon Lee Smith	Address: 4553 Fairgrove Rd., Columbus, OH
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant on File	Sex: Male      Race: Black      Age: 32

Charges: Murder

Suspect:	Address:
<input type="checkbox"/> Arrested <input type="checkbox"/> Warrant on File	Sex:      Race:      Age:

Charges:

**Incident Summary: \*\*\*Update October 22, 2021, Brandon L. Smith was arrested in the 1800 Block of N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. by a Columbus Police Swat Team, without incident.\*\*\***

Update September 10, 2021, The suspect in Homicide 2021-0143 has been identified as Brandon Lee Smith M/B/32. A warrant for murder has been filed for his arrest. Anyone with information as to his whereabouts should call the Columbus Division of Police.

Update September 7, 2021: The victim of this homicide has been identified as Mr. Donnie R. Ferguson M/B/43. Next of Kin notification has been made.

On September 6, 2021, Patrol Officers responded to the 2100 block of Haviland Drive on a shooting. Upon arrival, Officers located a male black victim suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. The victim was transported to a local area Hospital by CFD Medic 15 in critical condition. Despite receiving life-saving medical treatment, the victim succumbed to his injuries. Initial information indicates that the victim was in a confrontation earlier in the evening that may have led to this shooting.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477).

This is the 143rd homicide in Columbus Ohio in Calendar Year 2021. Incident #210675015. Detective Smith is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective O'Connor.

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