



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Homicide Bureau / Team 1 Unit

Date: April 17, 2026

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 04/16/2026

Time: 10:06pm

Location of Offense/Incident: 1500 Block of Autumn Village Dr Zone: 3

Precinct: 10

Incident Report #: 260267011

Cruiser District: 105

Victim: Kamarcus Sowell-Butler (deceased)	Sex: M	Race: B	Age: 18
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Suspect: Damien L. Grier (In Custody)	Address: Columbus, OH
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Charges: Murder	
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**Incident Summary:** CPD Patrol officers were dispatched to the listed location on the report of a shooting. Upon arrival they located the victim suffering from a gunshot wound. CFD personnel arrived at scene and pronounced the victim deceased at 10:14pm. The above suspect was detained by responding patrol officers. Homicide detectives conducted a preliminary investigation and charged the suspect with Murder for the shooting of the victim in this case. He was slated at the Franklin County Jail. Victim's NOK has been notified.

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). Detective Westfall is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Komisarek.

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