



# Media Information

Columbus Division of Police  
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 12/28/2023

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 1/6/2021

Time: 3:19A

Location of Offense/Incident: 1700 block E. Hudson St.

Zone: 4

Precinct: 5

Incident Report #: 210012415

Cruiser District: 52

Victim: David Gaines (Deceased)	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 62
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Suspect: Dontrell Jaynes	Address: Ross Correctional Institution			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Arrested	<input type="checkbox"/> Warrant on File	Sex: Male	Race: Black	Age: 23
Charges: Aggravated Murder and Aggravated Robbery				
Suspect:	Address:			
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**Incident Summary:**  
 On Wednesday, January 6, 2021, at 3:18AM, Columbus Police Officers were called to the Sunoco station at 1799 E. Hudson St. on a report of a shooting. On arrival, officers found David Gaines, 62, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. CFD Medic 16 transported Gaines to Grant Medical Center in critical condition, where he was pronounced deceased by attending physicians at 4:19AM. At this time what led to Gaines murder is under investigation.

**\*\*\*UPDATE:** On Wednesday, December 28, 2023, the Franklin County Grand Jury indicted Dontrell Jaynes for Aggravated Murder and Aggravated Robbery for causing Gaines' death. Jaynes is currently incarcerated at the Ross Correctional Institution where he is serving a prison sentence for an unrelated crime. The investigation into Gaines' death has been ongoing since the date of his murder and this indictment is the result of Detective Westfall's ongoing and determined efforts to bring Gaines' murderer to justice.

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to contact Detective Westfall at (614) 645-4221 or EWestfall@ColumbusPolice.org or to call Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Westfall is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Huffman.\*\*\*

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