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Michigan State Police have identified the man who was fatally shot Wednesday while troopers were serving a search warrant.

Troopers from the state police Marshall post were executing the search warrant related to a cold case about 11:15 a.m. in Branch County's Union Township when they came under fire by **David Kidney**, 62, of Union City, according to a news release.

An autopsy was conducted on Kidney on Thursday morning in Grand Rapids. Preliminary results show Kidney's cause of death to be a single gunshot wound sustained while exchanging gunfire with troopers.

During the incident, officers were attempting to take cover when Detective Sgt. Aaron Steensma was shot in the chest and Trooper Daniel Thayer was shot in the chest and hand.

Steensma, who has been with MSP 19 years, remains in serious but stable condition at Borgess Medical Center in Kalamazoo.

The round that struck Thayer in the chest was stopped by his protective vest. Thayer, who has been with MSP 21 years, did not seek medical treatment.

The search warrant was connected to an investigation into the 2009 shooting death of Duane Finney. In March, the state police reopened the investigation into Finney's death. He was found shot to death in his car May 12, 2009.