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The affidavit of the man arrested on drug charges provides details into the officer-involved shooting that killed a 72-year-old woman Wednesday night in west Bartlesville.

According to police reports, dead is 72-year-old **Geraldine Townsend**. Her son, 50-year-old Mike Anthony Livingston, was arrested on charges of possession of marijuana with intent to distribute, paraphernalia, possession of firearm or weapon in commission of felony and feloniously possessing firearm.

According to the case's probable cause affidavit, the incident began around 9:30 p.m. Wednesday when Bartlesville Police Department officers served a search warrant at a residence in the 1600 block of SW Maple.

The warrant was reportedly pursuant to a surveillance on the residence that reportedly revealed that a "hand-to-hand transaction" had taken place. Police stopped the vehicle that had left the residence and "marijuana was recovered."

When police arrived to serve the search warrant, they said they observed "surveillance cameras on the front of the residence."

Reportedly six officers had been involved in the service and, when officers announced "police department search warrant," officers said they heard shouting from inside the house and used a "door ram tool" to make entry into the residence. Authorities could "smell the odor of marijuana" immediately and recognized Livingston in the living room. He was then ordered to the ground and he reportedly complied.

At that point, police heard "loud popping sounds" and one officer said he felt something hit his right leg and felt a "sharp burning sensation" in his thigh. He said he then heard more "popping" noises, and "one additional louder bang."

BPD Capt. Jay Hastings said the shots came from Townsend.

"Officers observed **Geraldine Townsend** pointing what appeared to be a semi-automatic handgun at them and one officer returned fire striking Townsend once in the upper body," Hastings said.

One of the officers and Townsend were transported to Jane Phillips Medical Center, where Townsend later died from her injuries. The officer reportedly received a facial injury and underwent surgery Thursday morning to remove a projectile.

The report stated that police found several baggies of marijuana, one of which was packaged similar to the one they recovered in the traffic stop.

"A silver revolver type handgun" was also reportedly found on the floor an addition to two other "CO2 BB/Pellet Guns."

Upon arrival at the jail, Livingston reportedly said "he would be getting out of jail soon and was going to track drug task force officers down and kill them all." Further, he reportedly said "he was going to kill their children as well."

The investigation is in the hands of the Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation and will be handed over to the Washington County district attorney for review.

Bail was set in the case at \$500,000.

## SHOTS FIRED

The Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation looked into an officer-involved shooting involving the Bartlesville Police approximately 15 months ago. Here are the details.

- Oct. 26, 2016: William Clifford Earl Cole, 36, of Copan was killed on Oct. 26, 2016 after attacking officers who were responding to a domestic disturbance call in the 300 block of SE Edgewood.

A Taser didn't stop Cole who police officers saw chase a female out of the house. Cole, then, started assaulting one of two officers on the scene. That officer fired his weapon and Cole was shot. He was pronounced dead at Jane Phillips Medical Center. The OSBI investigated the shooting, and issued a report to Washington County District Attorney Kevin Buchanan.

- Nov. 29, 2016: Buchanan said he had the OSBI report and would announce his decision on whether or not to charge the officer soon.

- Dec. 2, 2016: Buchanan announces he will not pursue charges against the Bartlesville Police officer in the Oct. 26 shooting death of Cole.

- Nov. 3, 2017: The woman that Cole assaulted, Trina Brown, filed a federal lawsuit against the city of Bartlesville, and the officer, Corey Boyd, in Tulsa. The suit alleges the woman was struck by one of Boyd's bullets, which struck her in the head behind the left ear, traveled down her neck and lodged in her spine. The suit contends the city "failed to train Boyd on the proper use of Tasers, proper use of deadly weapons and protection of innocent citizens."