

Sheriff's office releases name of pursuit suspect - Jamestown Sun, The (ND) - February 22, 2018

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Feb. 22--A 27-year-old Jamestown man was identified Thursday as the man killed by law enforcement following a pursuit in the city that ended north of Medina in the Woodworth area.

Stutsman County Sheriff Chad Kaiser said **Michael Andrew Schieffer** died following the incident that began late Wednesday morning.

Kaiser said Schieffer moved around a lot and he didn't have his last known address. Kaiser said there was a warrant for Schieffer from the city of Bismarck for driving under suspension. He said this was the reason a Jamestown police officer attempted to pull him over around 11:38 a.m. in the 1900 block of 12th Avenue Northeast. Schieffer led Jamestown police officers on a pursuit from Jamestown into northwest Stutsman County.

During the pursuit, Kaiser said Schieffer shot at Stutsman County Sheriff's deputies, who continued the chase after the Jamestown Police Department called off its pursuit. The pursuit came to an end near the Woodworth area when the vehicle that Schieffer was driving got stuck.

Scott Edinger, Jamestown chief of police, said Thursday the pursuing law enforcement officers stopped about a quarter to a half mile behind Schieffer. He said Schieffer got out of the vehicle holding a cellphone and handgun and walked back to deputies and Jamestown police.

"When he got close to the officers, he raised the gun and fired at the officers," Edinger said. "The officers returned fire almost simultaneously and he was killed."

Kaiser said the deputies and officers performed first aid and CPR on Schieffer while the Medina Ambulance Service responded.

The incident is being investigated by the Stutsman County Sheriff's Office and the North Dakota Bureau of Criminal Investigation with support from the Jamestown Police Department.

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