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Public's Assistance with the Roger Cheatham Homicide Investigation

Detectives request assistance from the public in obtaining information on a homicide that occurred on **Tuesday, August 16, 2016**, that claimed the life of Roger Cheatham.

At around 10 p.m., North Precinct officers were dispatched to a Person Shot call at an apartment complex in the 2100 Block of 31st Avenue North.

Officers arrived on the scene and then discovered 31-year-old Roger Cheatham and a second adult male inside an apartment suffering from an apparent gunshot wound.

Birmingham Fire and Rescue personnel arrived on the scene and then transported both victims to UAB Hospital. The following day, UAB Hospital staff pronounced Roger Cheatham deceased. The second victim survived.

The preliminary investigation suggests at least three masked men broke into Roger's apartment. Both victims were shot during the break-in. Roger's children were inside the apartment during the shooting; they were not harmed.

There is no one in custody.

The State of Alabama and Crime Stoppers have offered reward money in this case.

If anyone has information that will help aid our detectives, please contact the Homicide Division directly at 205-254-1764 or remain anonymous by contacting Crime Stoppers at 205-254-7777.

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App. Simply download the app and submit a tip. Updates will be provided as information becomes available. If the tip to Crime Stoppers leads to an arrest, Crime Stoppers will provide a cash reward.

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