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Homicide Investigation

The Birmingham Police Department is now conducting a homicide investigation after the Jefferson County Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy in an unclassified death investigation (Media Release 203).

The victim has been identified as:

Darius Dewayne Brown, (33), B/M, of Birmingham, Alabama.

The Jefferson County Coroner's Office arrived on the scene and then took care and custody of the victim. The Jefferson County Medical Examiner's Office performed an autopsy on the victim, revealing the victim had been shot.

Darius Brown was previously a Missing Persons case with BPD.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ [205-254-1764](tel:205-254-1764) or remain anonymous and receive a cash reward by dialing Crime Stoppers @ [205-254-7777](tel:205-254-7777).

Crime Stoppers pays tipsters cash rewards of up to \$5,000 for their tips.

This is Birmingham's 92nd murder investigation of 2023 with 7 justifiable death investigations). The Birmingham Police Department adheres to FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines set for all law enforcement agencies across the United States. FBI Uniform Crime Reporting guidelines do not require law enforcement agencies to include justifiable death investigations in the total homicide investigations counts.

****The information is based on a preliminary and ongoing investigation, which continues to evolve as investigators interview witnesses, review physical and electronic records, and analyze forensic evidence. The Department's understanding of the facts and circumstances may change as additional evidence is collected and analyzed****

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Unclassified Death Investigation *(Media Release 203)*

The Birmingham Police Department is conducting an unclassified death investigation. The incident occurred on **Thursday, September 28, 2023**.

The victim will be identified by the Jefferson County Medical Examiner's Office.

Just before 2 p.m., West Precinct officers were dispatched to the 1500 Block of Tuscaloosa Avenue on report of a Community Member Who Discovered a Body.

Officers arrived on the scene and then were led to the 500 Block of 16th Street Southwest where they observed a decomposed body in a field near the alleyway.

The victim could not be identified.

Officers observed suspicious circumstances surrounding the victim's death.

Homicide and Special Victims Unit detectives responded to the scene.

The Jefferson County Coroner's Office arrived on the scene and then took care and custody of the victim. The Jefferson County Medical Examiner's Office will perform an autopsy on the victim to determine the cause of death.

If there is anyone who has information pertaining to the case, please contact the B.P.D. Homicide Unit @ [205-254-1764](tel:205-254-1764) or Crime Stoppers @ [205-254-7777](tel:205-254-7777).

Anonymous tips can also be submitted to Crime Stoppers through the Birmingham Police Department's Mobile App on Android or IOS devices. Updates will be provided as information becomes available.

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