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GBI Investigates Officer Involved Shooting in Atlanta

JUNE 13, 2020

Update #1 (June 13, 2020)

The deceased subject has been identified as Rayshard Brooks, age 27, of Atlanta, GA.

Atlanta, GA (June 13, 2020) - On Friday, June 12, 2020, the Georgia Bureau of Investigation was requested by the Atlanta Police Department (APD) to investigate an officer involved shooting.

Preliminary information indicates that at approximately 10:33 pm, APD was dispatched to the Wendy's located at 125 University Ave, Atlanta, GA. Officers were responding to a complaint of a male in a vehicle parked in the drive thru asleep, causing other customers to drive around the vehicle. A field sobriety test was performed on the male subject. After failing the test, the officers attempted to place the male subject into custody. During the arrest, the male subject resisted and a struggle ensued. The officer deployed a Taser. Witnesses report that during the struggle the male subject grabbed and was in possession of the Taser. It has also been reported that the male subject was shot by an officer in the struggle over the Taser.

The male subject was transported to a local hospital where he died after surgery.

One officer was treated for an injury sustained during the incident and was subsequently discharged from the hospital.

The GBI is working to identify the next of kin.

The GBI will continue its independent investigation. Once completed, the case will be turned over to the Fulton County District Attorney's Office for review.

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