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ARREST MADE IN 2021 HOMICIDE ON GUS YOUNG AVENUE

Update 02-23-2022

Today, Baton Rouge Police Detectives with the assistance of the U.S. Marshals Fugitive Task Force arrested RALPH PAUL, 21 of 6454 Airline Highway. Investigators believe that PAUL is connected in the death of JOSHUA SHORTER that occurred on November 29, 2021.

PAUL will be book in the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison on charges of Second Degree Murder, Illegal Use of Weapons or Dangerous Instrumentalities and Possession of a Firearm or Carrying Concealed Weapon by a Person Convicted of Certain Felonies.

Original 11-29-21

Baton Rouge Police Detectives are investigating the death of JOSHUA SHORTER, 18 of 1325 North Street. SHORTER was located in the driver's seat of a vehicle this morning around 10:20 a.m. in the 4400 block of Gus Young Avenue, suffering from apparent gunshot wounds. SHORTER succumbed to his injuries at the scene.

This investigation remains ongoing.

Anyone with any information is urged to contact the Violent Crimes Unit at 389-4869 or Crime Stoppers at 344-7867.

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