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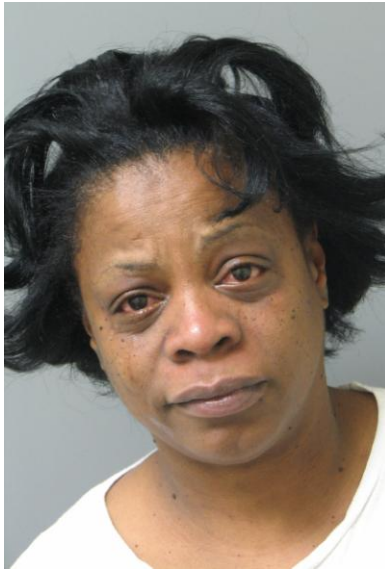
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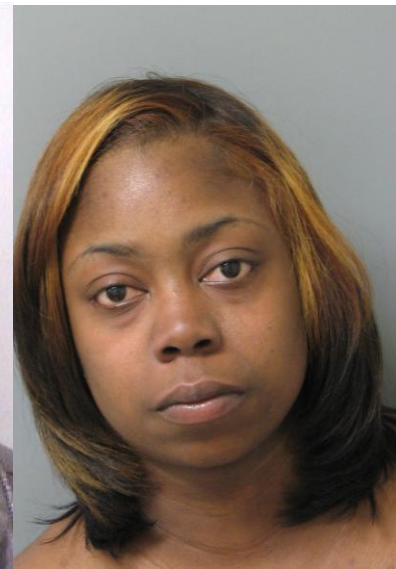
Wanted Fugitive Willie Gatewood in Custody



Linda Sallis



Willie Gatewood



Tracey Whiting

The man wanted for shooting an Eads man at his home last week was arrested in Midtown this morning. Sheriff's Deputies and Memphis Police Officers arrested Willie Gatewood, 52, at an apartment in the 1000 block of Peabody Avenue. Gatewood was not armed and he gave no resistance when taken into custody just before Noon.

Detectives say Gatewood was the man who broke into Dennis Roberts' home in the 11,000 block of Macon Road on February 24. Roberts arrived home and confronted Gatewood who then shot Roberts in the front yard. Roberts has since been released from the hospital.

Gatewood faces charges of Attempted First Degree Murder and Especially Aggravated Burglary. Gatewood is being held at the Shelby county Jail men's facility at 201 Poplar. No bond has been set yet.

Earlier this week, Sheriff's detectives arrested Gatewood's sister, Linda Sallis, 44, and niece, Tracey Whiting, 21. Detectives say they met Gatewood after the shooting and took the getaway vehicle, a 2002 maroon GMC Envoy, to a used car lot on South Third Street.

Deputies charged Sallis and Whiting with Accessory After the Fact To Wit Attempted First Degree Murder and Tampering with Evidence. They are being held at the Shelby County Jail women's facility in east Memphis on 100,000 dollars bond.

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