



# VISALIA POLICE DEPARTMENT

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**\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\***  
**September 1, 2021**

**VPD Report Number:** 21-072257

**Date/Time Occurred:** 8/29/2021 1928 hours

**Type of Incident:** Homicide

**Location:** Kaweah/ Santa Fe

**Name of Business (if applicable):**

N/A

**Suspect:**

**Age:**

**Arrested:**

1. Crossley, Kendrick, Dontae

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No

2. Crossley, Lakrisha

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Yes

**Details:** On 08/29/2021 at approximately 1928 hours, patrol officers responded to an assault with a deadly weapon in the 700 block of E Myrtle Ave. Upon arriving, officers located a male near the intersection of Santa Fe St and Kaweah Ave suffering from a gunshot wound. The male victim was transported to Kaweah Health Medical Center for treatment. Despite the efforts of medical staff at Kaweah Health, the male died from the injuries sustained during the shooting.

The Violent Crimes Unit responded to take over the investigation and are being assisted by the Special Enforcement Unit and Crime Lab.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact Detective Michael Morgantini at (559)713-4104. Those wishing to remain anonymous can call the Anonymous Tip Line at (559) 713-4738.

**\*\*\*\*UPDATE\*\*\*\***

The suspect in this case has been positively identified as Kendrick Dontae Crossley, 25 years of age. Kendrick Crossley is described as a Black male, 5 feet 9 inches tall, weighing approximately 145 pounds, with brown eyes, and black hair. A photograph of Kendrick Crossley has been included in this press release. Detectives have received information that Kendrick Crossley may have cut his hair and shaved his facial hair to change his appearance.



He is known to frequent various cities within Tulare County and should be considered armed and dangerous. Members of the public are warned not to approach Kendrick Crossley, but instead, call their local law enforcement agency with their information.

Violent Crime Detectives have arrested Lakrisha Crossley, 42 years of age in connection with this case. Lakrisha Crossley was charged as an accessory after the crime for providing material support and aiding Kendrick Crossley in avoiding capture. She was booked at the Tulare County Pre-Trial facility.

Anyone with information on the whereabouts of Kendrick Crossley is urged to contact Detective Michael Morgantini at (559) 713-4104 or their local law enforcement agency.

**Arresting / Investigating Officer:** Violent Crimes Unit

**Supervisor:** Sgt. Mike Short

