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On 01/11/2010, a call was given out in reference to gunshots at 300 Neely Avenue. Shortly following the initial call, there was another call of a female on the ground that had been shot, and suspect left the area in a small white car with tinted windows and no headlights on. Caller could not describe the driver of the vehicle. Once officers arrived and secured the scene, Bedford County EMS was advised to come into the crime scene. EMS personnel determined that the victim was in-fact deceased from what appeared to be gunshot wounds. EMS left the scene and advised to call them back when we finished the investigation. The victim was identified as Laura Parker, 26 of Shelbyville.

Lt. Jason Williams and Sgt. James Wilkerson were responding to the scene, they observed a vehicle on Depot Street matching the description that had been given out over the radio. They initiated a traffic stop on a white Nissan Sentra with tinted windows, and found David Niles, 24 of Shelbyville inside the vehicle. They asked Mr. Niles if he had a weapon in the vehicle, and replied that yes he did and then turned toward the passenger seat. Mr. Niles was then removed from the vehicle and a loaded, Glock 9mm handgun was found in the passenger seat along with a ski mask and pair of gloves. He was then secured in a police unit pending further investigation. Evidence tech Sgt. Bill Logue arrived and seized the weapon.

Once the crime scene was processed it was discovered that the shell casings found at the crime scene did match the rounds loaded in the weapon and it was revealed that the suspect and victim had a child together.

Mr. Niles was later charged with First Degree Murder and Un-lawful Possession of a firearm and is currently being held at the Bedford County Jail under a \$1,010,000.00 bond.

Anyone with information in regards to this case, is requested to contact the Shelbyville Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division.

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