



Phoenix Police Department
Public Affairs Bureau
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 12, 2025, around 7:35 p.m.
Incident: 2025-1489853
Location: 3900 West Citrus Way
Victim: Jaunarius Moreno, 57-year-old male, deceased
Suspect: Brandon Alvarez, 31-year-old male, MCSO booking# G212128

Family Argument Turns Deadly

(October 13, 2025): Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a shooting that left a man dead after an argument with his stepson.

On October 12, 2025, at approximately 7:35 p.m., officers responded to a shooting call at a home near 39th Avenue and Maryland Avenue. When officers arrived, they found and detained a man, 31-year-old Brandon Alvarez, who called 911 and told operators he shot his 57-year-old stepfather, Jaunarius Moreno. Officers cleared the home and found Moreno in the backyard, who was suffering from multiple gunshot wounds. The fire department responded and determined that Moreno died from his injuries on scene.

Homicide detectives responded and continued the investigation. Preliminary information suggests Alvarez and Moreno were in a verbal argument in the backyard when the argument escalated. Alvarez pulled out his firearm and shot Moreno, which resulted in his death. Alvarez was later booked on one count of second-degree murder. The investigation remains active as detectives continue to process evidence.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
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