



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: October 26, 2025, around 4:41 p.m.
Incident: 2025-1558637
Location: 2600 North 43rd Avenue
Victim: Michelle Marie Semenjok, 63-year-old, deceased
Suspect: Salvador Najera Jr, 58-year-old, booked, G214974

Woman Shot and Killed

(October 27, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a woman found shot and unresponsive, who later died.

On October 26, 2025, at around 4:41 p.m., officers responded to the area of 43rd Avenue and Virginia Avenue regarding a shooting. Once officers arrived on the scene, they located an adult female, later identified as Michelle Marie Semenjok, suffering from at least one gunshot wound. The Phoenix Fire Department arrived on the scene and transported Michelle to a nearby hospital, where she later died.

During the initial investigation, officers obtained information from a witness who saw an adult male, later identified as Salvador Najera Jr, walking away from Michelle's apartment immediately after the shooting. Additional information was gathered that Salvador had called family and stated he had shot someone; he then fled the scene in his vehicle.

Based on the information collected by officers and detectives, probable cause was established for Salvador's arrest. With the assistance of Homicide detectives, Crime Scene Specialists, Street Crimes, Real Time Crime Center, Night detectives, and Special Assignments Units, Salvador was located and arrested.

Salvador was transported to the Phoenix Police Headquarters, where detectives interviewed him. During the interview, he admitted to shooting Michelle and being a prohibited possessor. Salvador has been booked on murder and misconduct involving weapons. Additional details related to this incident remain a part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Lorraine Fernandez
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