



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: November 1, 2025, around 8:56 a.m.
Incident: 2025-1589056
Location: 3700 East McDowell Road
Victim: William Christopher Baumgardner, 58-year-old, deceased
Suspect: Bradley Alan Gibson, 34-year-old, booked G216195

Stepson Shoots and Kills Stepfather

(November 2, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a shooting involving a stepson and stepfather.

On November 1, 2025, at around 8:56 p.m., officers responded to the area of 37th Street and McDowell Road regarding a shooting. Once officers arrived on the scene, they located an adult male, later identified as William Christopher Baumgardner, inside the apartment with apparent gunshot wounds. The Phoenix Fire Department arrived on the scene and transported William to a nearby hospital, where he later died.

As officers were conducting preliminary interviews, it was determined that the suspect, later identified as Bradley Alan Gibson, the stepson of the victim, was in a verbal altercation with William. During the argument, William confronted Bradley, and Bradley shot William, who then left the scene before police arrived. Bradley later returned to the scene and turned himself in to the patrol officers, with evidence of the crime.

A search warrant was executed at the residence, where additional evidence was recovered. Bradley was transported to the hospital for evaluation of an unrelated medical issue. Once released from the hospital, he was taken to police headquarters for questioning. Bradley has been booked on murder charges.

Homicide and Night detectives responded to assume the investigation and begin processing the scene. Additional details related to this incident remain a part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Lorraine Fernandez
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