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Arrest Made in 2024 Murder of Daryus Bryant

The Columbus Police Department has made an arrest in the April 2024 shooting that claimed the life of Daryus Bryant, 17, and injured another person.

Zion Horton was recently taken into custody in Coweta County and transported to Columbus on Thursday, July 3, 2025. He is charged with Murder, Aggravated Assault x3, and Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Crime. His is scheduled to appear in Recorder's Court for a preliminary hearing on Tuesday, July 8, 2025, at 1:30 p.m. Additional arrests are pending.

The shooting occurred on April 20, 2024, at approximately 11:50 p.m., at the intersection of Macon Road and Lakeshore Drive. Responding officers discovered two males suffering from gunshot wounds. Both were taken to Piedmont Columbus Regional, where Bryant was pronounced deceased shortly after midnight. The second victim underwent emergency surgery and survived.

CPD's Violent Crimes Unit is continuing its investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact Sgt. D. Danforth at 706-225-4299 or ddanforth@columbusga.org. You can remain anonymous.

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