Update: Homicide at 7046 40th Avenue North

At 4:16 p.m. today, November 23, 2016, officers of the St. Petersburg Police Department responded to 7046 40th Avenue North regarding a person shot. Once on scene, officers discovered Randal “Randy” Wright, W/M, 3/1/1958, who lived at this location, inside the home and suffering from a single gunshot wound to the chest. Paramedics transported Wright to St. Petersburg General Hospital where he died from his injuries.

Information was developed that Wright was shot by Johnny Alan Moore, W/M, 3/9/1961, during some type of argument. Moore was a friend of Wright’s and was temporarily living at the home.

After shooting Wright, Moore got into his 1981 motorhome and drove away. Moore was believed to be heading toward the interstate and surrounding local law enforcement agencies were alerted. Members of the Tampa Police Department spotted Moore driving his motorhome near U.S. Hwy 301 and Dr. MLK Boulevard in Tampa. Moore was stopped and arrested.

St. Petersburg Police Department Major Crimes Unit detectives are currently in the process of interviewing Moore.

An update will be provided when Moore is ready to be booked into jail.

There is no further information at this time.

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Homicide
St. Petersburg Police Department officers and Major Crimes Unit detectives are currently on scene of a homicide at 7046 40th Avenue North. An elderly man was shot and succumbed to his injury.

There is no further information at this time.

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