

HAMTRAMCK: SUSPECT ARRAIGNED IN FATAL CARJACKING

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Weary and hungry with the law closing in, fugitive murder suspect **Jeremy Rice** surrendered early Saturday as a suspect in a fatal Hamtramck carjacking.

"We were on his trail, right behind him," said Investigator Greg Collins of the Hamtramck Police Department.

Rice was publicly identified on Wednesday as a suspect in the Sept. 21 fatal shooting of Amanda Brown, and by the end of the week merchants and other citizens were calling in tips and sightings, Collins said. Rice was already wanted as a parole absconder.

By early Saturday, Rice couldn't even pause for a sandwich. Rice turned himself in at the Wayne County Sheriff's Office.

"He said he was living on chips," Collins said.

Brown, 23, of Taylor was shot as she waited in a friend's truck parked in front of a Henry Ford Health System Clinic on Holbrook in Hamtramck.

She died two days later with her fiance, Linc Bullard, at her side.

Rice, 24, of Detroit was arraigned at noon Saturday on charges of first-degree murder, carjacking, possession of firearm in the commission of a felony and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

He faces a mandatory term of life in prison without parole if convicted.

The closed-circuit television arraignment was going on about the time that Brown's funeral services were held in Flat Rock.

Collins said Rice made a statement about the shooting, but the detective said it would not be released before the Oct. 11 preliminary examination at Hamtramck 31st District Court.

In July, Rice jumped his parole on a stolen car conviction from 2004. He had already been on probation since 2003 for convictions of auto theft, possession of stolen cars and fleeing a police officer.

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CAPTION: **Jeremy Rice** turned himself in.

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