

## **SUSPECTS CHARGED IN AMBUSH ON COPS PAIR ACCUSED OF FIRING AK47, KIDNAPPING MOM AND SON**

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Darryl Boggon and Jamal Randle were described Monday as cold, calculating criminals who began their Saturday evening kidnapping a 12-year-old boy and his mother and demanding \$100,000 ransom.

Hours later, police say, Randle -- **in** a van with Boggon and others -- fired an assault rifle through the vehicle's window. The assault fatally injured one police officer and left another **in** critical condition.

Boggon, 34, and Randle, 27, both of Detroit, stood stone-faced Monday at their 36th District Court arraignment as they were told they were being **charged** with murder and kidnapping, among several other charges.

Meanwhile, a third **suspect**, Thomas Colbert, remains **in** police custody. Police officials said they are still interviewing him. Detroit police continue a manhunt for another **suspect**, James Langford, who they say is connected to the crime.

Officer Shawn Bandy, 23, died Sunday night after his family removed him from life support. He was shot **in** the face by an AK47 while chasing the van connected with the kidnapping. Police say Randle was the triggerman and Boggon and two others, possibly Colbert and Langford, were along for the ride.

Bandy was the first Detroit officer killed **in** the line of duty since 1996 and the 206th killed **in** city history, according to a police spokesman.

Another officer, Lloyd Todd, 34, remains **in** critical condition; he also was shot **in** the face. His boss said Todd lost an eye but his prognosis is improving. Doctors feared Todd would be paralyzed, but he was able to move his arms Monday. He cannot move his lower body, said 9th Precinct Cmdr. Joseph Brooks.

A third officer, Ramon Childs, 34, was cut by flying glass during the attack.

"We're trying to process all of our feelings right now, but the mood is quite sullen," Brooks said.

Boggon and Randle, after hearing that they were wanted by police, turned themselves **in** Sunday.

According to court documents, four men **in** a white van with green stripes arrived at Athena Akins' house, **in** the 13000 block of Carlisle around 9 p.m. Saturday. They blocked Akins and her son **in** their driveway, showed them a gun and forced them to get into the van. The masked men drove about a block before taking a National City bank card and housekeys from Akins. They then drove to a bank, withdrew \$400 and demanded she tell them her house alarm code.

The men drove back to the house, documents state, and left Akins and her son lying **on** the van floor. Using Akins' keys and alarm code, they entered her house. They paged Akins' boyfriend, Eric Anthony, and demanded \$100,000 **in** 10 minutes for the release of the woman and boy. According to documents, the men told Anthony to put the money **in** a paper bag and leave it at the corner of Collingham and Schoenherr.

Police said Anthony delivered \$5,000 cash to the location. He saw Boggon pick it up, the document states. He watched Boggon return to the van, and he saw Randle inside. Anthony then called police. Akins and her son were dropped off one block from their home.

"I think our efforts to locate the **suspects** contributed to them turning themselves **in** ," said Detroit Police homicide Inspector William Rice. "Plus, because of the egregiousness of the crime itself, it was best that they came **in** ."

But Boggon's relatives say police have the wrong guy. At Monday's arraignment, they said Boggon planned to go out with his brother and sister- **in** -law that night and was at home doing laundry.

"I just feel that that police are grabbing up anybody they can for this shooting," said Morris Boggon, Boggon's brother. "I understand their predicament, but they've got the wrong man."

Boggon's and Randle's preliminary hearings are set for Dec. 21.

Caption: Photo

Shawn Bandy  
Lloyd Todd  
Ramon Childs

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