

3 MEN CHARGED WITH MURDER IN KILLINGS OF 4

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Three **men** were **charged** with first-degree **murder** Thursday after a three-month investigation of the Aug. 10 submachine-gun slayings of four members of a family **in** a Hart Street home on the east side

Charged with four counts of **murder in** arrest warrants Thursday were Charles (Little Charlie) Wilson Jr., 20; Anthony Dwayne (Pretty Tony) Goodman, 24 and a third **man** listed only as John Doe.

A fourth **man**, Derrick (Papa) Dupree, 28, already **in** jail for parole violation, also was named **in** the warrant and **charged** with armed robbery and use of a firearm **in** a felony.

Police said Dupree's guns were used **in** the August attack, **in** which three adults and a 12-year-old boy were cut down **in** a hail of bullets from .45-caliber submachine guns.

Wilson is free on bond awaiting trial on a charge of assault with intent to commit **murder in** an earlier case. None of the three **charged with murder** -- who also were **charged** with assault with intent to **murder**, armed robbery and use of a firearm **in** a felony -- was **in** custody Thursday afternoon.

THE FOUR KILLED **IN** the late night attack were Charles (Rusty) Hampton, 25, and his wife, Pamela, 23, who lived **in** the upper flat **in** the 2200 block of Hart, and Charlie Grace Jr., 33, a cousin, and Herman Robinson, 12, a nephew, who were visiting.

An 11-month-old baby was spared, and a 17-year-old boy was injured, but survived the assault at what was known **in** the neighborhood as a "weed house" -- where marijuana was sold.

Investigating officers **in** Squad Six of the Police Department's Homicide Section tracked down hundreds of tips to crack the case, including one that the shootings were the result of a quarrel over a stolen bicycle.

They say they now believe the Hart Street shootings occurred as part of a robbery.

A KEY ELEMENT **in** cracking the case was the bravado of the gunmen. Less than an hour after the assault, they lined up **in** the middle of St. Patrick Street and blasted away with their submachine guns at three houses, Lt. Gerald Stewart said.

"One of their ladies had been offended **in** some way by someone who lived **in** one of the houses, but they didn't know which one, so they just opened up and sprayed all three," he said.

No one was injured **in** that assault. But shells found at the scene matched those found **in** the Hart Street home, and eventually led to Thursday's arrest warrants.

All of the half dozen officers **in** Squad Six concentrated on this case, police said. Some of the people they questioned were too scared to talk and others so frightened by what they had seen that they packed up and left town after the shootings.

The entire squad worked all night Tuesday night. Late Wednesday night they got what they needed: armed with a search warrant, they found Dupree's guns stashed **in** a house on Bentler near Schoolcraft **in** northwest Detroit.

There were three large-caliber weapons that look like Thompson submachine guns, two small-caliber rifles and a handgun.

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