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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