

DAD HELD IN DEATH, RAPE SON SHOT IN MISHAP - DAUGHTER ALLEGEDLY ATTACKED

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A Detroit **man** with a long criminal record has been **charged** with involuntary manslaughter **in** the accidental shooting death of his 8-year-old stepson and with criminal sexual conduct **in** the alleged **rape** of his 12-year-old daughter.

The incidents are alleged to have happened **in** the suspect's east-side home **in** May, officials said.

Clee Jackson Sr., 32, was arrested by Detroit police on Tuesday. He is expected to be arraigned **in** both cases today **in** 36th District Court.

According to court records and police reports, officers from the 9th (Gratiot) Precinct were called on May 9 after Jackson's 12-year-old daughter, whose name is being withheld, complained that her father had raped her twice between May 6 and May 8.

Investigators from the Detroit police sex crimes unit presented a warrant request to the Wayne County Prosecutor's Office on May 15, but the matter was adjourned when Jackson, maintaining his innocence, insisted on taking a lie-detector test.

Jackson was released from custody on May 16 pending the polygraph test.

At about 6:45 p.m. on May 17, police were called to the Jackson family home **in** the 17100 block of Alcoy on the report of a shooting.

Officers met Jackson's wife, Joslyn Jackson, who took them to a back bedroom. Lying on the bed was her son Cortez Welch, 8, suffering a gunshot wound to the head. A handgun was found on the floor.

The boy was rushed to St. John Hospital where he was dead on arrival.

Police later determined that the handgun belonged to Clee Jackson and that the boy had found it under his parents' mattress. Meanwhile, Jackson's lie-detector test was postponed so the family could grieve the child's death.

When Detroit police tried to contact Jackson on June 6 to re-schedule the lie-detector test, officers learned he was jailed **in** Dearborn. Dearborn police would not say Wednesday why Jackson was held.

The polygraph test finally took place on June 28. Jackson failed the test and the prosecutor's office issued a warrant charging him with two counts of first-degree criminal sexual conduct involving a child under age 13.

Police arrested Jackson on Tuesday, the same day the involuntary manslaughter warrant was signed by 36th District Court Magistrate Thomas Shannon. Officials said Jackson has a record of more than a dozen arrests on charges of assault, drug possession and larceny going back to 1986.

In the shooting case, Jackson was **charged** with the following:

- * Involuntary manslaughter, punishable by up to 15 years **in** prison.
- * Being a felon **in** possession of a firearm, a maximum of five years.
- * Possession of a firearm during a felony, mandatory two years.
- * A fourth-degree habitual offender charge which carries a maximum penalty of life **in** prison.

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