## MARSHALL, 18, TO SPEND LIFE BEHIND BARS SHE'S GUILTY OF SLAYINGS AT ST . AUBIN CRACK HOUSE

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Sobs wracked Tamara Marie Marshall, the so-called teenage "angel of death," and she cradled her head in her arms Monday as a jury pronounced her guilty of murder in April's **massacre** on **St** . **Aubin Street** .

As her father, Hubert, sat grimly with his eyes shielded by sunglasses and his hand covering his mouth, the weeping Detroit teenager bent lower and lower in her chair as the jury foreman announced that she was guilty of three counts of first-degree murder, two counts of second-degree murder and one count of being an accessory to murder after the fact.

Marshall, 18, still shook with sobs as deputies escorted her out of Judge Harvey F. Tennen's courtroom. She is to receive a mandatory life prison term without parole at her Oct. 29 sentencing.

The jury was taken out a back door by a phalanx of Wayne County Sheriff's deputies after their verdict was announced.

Wayne County Assistant Prosecutor Augustus Hutting, who labeled Marshall an "angel of death" and said she was the chief architect of Detroit's worst mass murder in nearly 20 years, said the case "again shows that youth, guns and crack cocaine are an absolutely lethal mixture... The victims and defendants seem to get younger and younger. It's like a fire burning, and I see it lit with these kids and crack."

Glennis Williams, whose son, Carl, was among the victims, said Carl's death should be a message to Detroit's young people enamored with the quick wealth of the drug trade.

"That money looks good, that jewelry looks good, that gold looks good, but you see how this dope ends up," she said. "You can always wind up just like my son."

Last week, **St** . **Aubin** codefendants Mark Bell, 20, and Jamal Biggs, 19, also were convicted of first-degree murder by separate juries. A fourth defendant, Marc Caison, will stand trial later.

Hutting said Marshall engineered the April 4 dope house robbery at 17850 **St**. **Aubin** that left six people dead, including Marshall's former boyfriend, Steve Owens, who ran the house. Hutting had argued that Marshall personally shot Owens and directed the killing of the others to eliminate witnesses and to forestall retaliation by the victims.

The jury, which began deliberations on Sept. 24 after three weeks of testimony, found Marshall guilty of first-degree murder for the slayings of Owens, 32, Bobby Frazier, 16, and Rodney Lewis, 22; second-degree murder for the slayings of Williams, 21, and Robert Hill, 15, and accessory after the fact in the murder of Levon Robinson, 18.

Defense lawyer David Cripps said the jury seemed to hold Marshall most responsible for those victims with whom the prosecution said she had direct contact.

Hutting said Marshall shot Owens, witnesses said she robbed Frazier, and Lewis' jacket was found at her home. The least serious charge was handed down for the slaying of Robinson, who was shot in the basement outside her presence.

The victims' families greeted Hutting outside the courtroom with cheers and applause, but he cut short the celebration, reminding them that the victims and the accused in drug crimes often have interchangeable roles.

"This is to you, the young people, I know that money's easy and nice" Hutting said. "But one day you're on my side of the table and tomorrow, maybe, you're on the other side. And you parents, you end up looking at your sons on a slab at the morgue or you're in line on visitor's day at prison.

"We're happy today. But I don't want to see you down here again on the other side of that table."
Caption: Photo JOHN COLLIER
: Glennis Williams, left, and Zaneta Sanders rejoice after
Monday's guilty verdict against Tamara Marie Marshall. They
hold photos of their slain sons, Carl Williams and Rodney
Lewis. \*\*\*
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