

11. LEROY BOYD

Age- 34

DATE: July 14, 1967

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PLACE: Belmont and Avon Avenues

Leroy Boyd was fatally shot in the left side of his back. The autopsy revealed a large irregular lead fragment in the abdomen. Newark police officers testified that they had apprehended six people, one of whom was Boyd, while burglarizing a pharmacy on Belmont Avenue. The suspects including Boyd had been lined up against a building when a spectator began to taunt and curse the police officers. At first they ignored him and another spectator pulled him back into the crowd. Other police officers then arrived to assist in the arrest at which time a Newark patrolman was attacked by the abusive spectator. During the struggle, the patrolman's shotgun was accidentally discharged, wounding another patrolman in the arm and fatally wounding Boyd.

Due to insufficient evidence of any criminal misconduct, the Jury found no cause for indictment.