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A narcotics investigation led to a fatal officer-involved shooting in Riverside on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 18, police said.

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RICHARD BROOKS, STAFF

UPDATE: *Circumstances of the shooting added.*

A narcotics investigation led to a fatal officer-involved shooting in Riverside on Tuesday afternoon, Nov. 18, police said.

The shooting happened about 2:30 p.m. in the 10400 block of Keller Avenue near La Granada Elementary School.

No officers were injured.

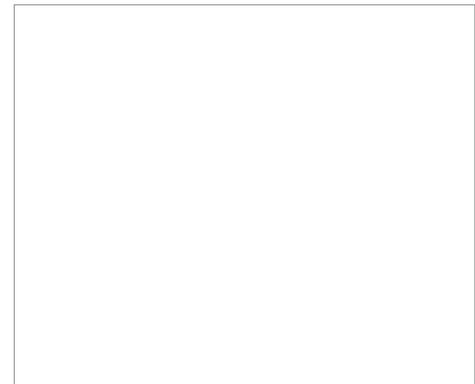
"The suspect is deceased," Lt. Mike Cook said shortly before 4:30 p.m. from the scene.

The gunfire erupted at the end of a narcotics investigation, and the gun was recovered at the scene, he said.

The incident began when officers taking part in a drug probe tried to stop the suspect's vehicle, Riverside police later said in a written release. The release doesn't specify why the vehicle was targeted.

The driver – who officials didn't name until his next of kin could be reached -- didn't stop until he reached a driveway in the 5400 block of Bushnell Avenue, the release said. He then fled on foot, and officers gave chase.

When the suspect reached the backyard of a home on Keller, he stopped, turned and pointed a gun at officers, the release said. Officers then shot and killed the suspect.



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Officers called in medical aid and attempted first aid on the suspect. Fire personnel and ambulance crews arrived and pronounced the man dead.

Some area residents said they saw bits and pieces of the incident.

"I heard a police car coming, with the sirens," said neighborhood resident Jennifer Garcia. "I saw the police car fly down the street. And then I heard, 'Pow, pow, pow.'"

"Then mobs of police cars came and blocked off the street."

Police taped off a section of Bushnell and nearby Keller.

The incident prompted a 10-minute lockdown of La Granada Elementary on Keller. Alvord Unified School District spokesman Shawn Loescher said the school was on an abbreviated schedule, letting out at 1 p.m., so most students were gone before the shooting.

But those in after-school programs were held inside, Loescher said. Parents were notified by a recorded phone message, and those with students in the after-school program were allowed to pick up their children early. Few took the school up on the offer, Loescher said.

Operations at the district office, also on Keller, were unaffected, he said.

Anybody with information on the case is asked to contact Detective Dave Smith at 951-353-7103 or Detective Greg Rowe at 951-353-7136.



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How dare any of you say anything negative about this situation! This man may have not been perfect but hey I'm guessing not all of your hands are clean and as for the person who said she "check out the family's Facebook and had the nerve to say this was the norm for us" it's people like you that make this world a very ugly place. This man has kids a wife and a mother and maybe he made so bad choice's but haven't we all none of us are perfect so before you all get on your high horses maybe you should take a step back and think "if this was my son, daughter, husband, brother or whatever would you want to read all these negative comments? This man's family is grieving right now so out of respect for his wife and kids and the rest of my family I ask that you please show some respect and I ask that you pray for them that they find comfort and healing, my family isn't perfect but remember yours isn't either and I would hate if any of you had to go through what my family is going through right now.

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Mark Nicklas · Top Commenter

bad choices like running from the police and pulling a gun on them??? with prop 47 passing and being in effect intermediately he would have seen zero prison time and maybe..maybe a 1 month in jail at the most if he would have just stopped when police told him to. sorry but fools get zero respect in a community sick and tired of criminals draining it down. sorry but 90% of population works, follows the law, and is clean.

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Christine Crotty Dimas · Riverside, California

Too close to where I live

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Michael Peters · Top Commenter

The most he would have got for a drug conviction was probably a few weeks or months in jail. By choosing to be selfish and run, he decided his children no longer needed a dad. He can't take that choice back. Being a selfless loving father is a choice he did not make. It is sad but that is the fact. Hopefully others will learn from him.

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Mark Nicklas · Top Commenter

nope...not gonna feel bad for someone that runs recklessly in a car endangering others, then on foot, then stupidly points a gun at cops. the bad shake in life b.s. and he did his best b.s. dont cut it when others lives are endangered because of someones selfishness. thug life equals dead life

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Art Perez · Top Commenter · Works at U.S. Army

If a person does not respect law enforcement, the laws of our country and obviously does not respect his own family by being involved in drugs. How can you expect others to show respect???

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Patrick McGugin · Top Commenter

the cops did your cousin and her kids a favor....I agree, no respect for a person who endangers others for their own gain....the herd gets thinner by one.

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Melanie Scott Trevino · Vista, California

GOOD!

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Anna Paez

I knew him and was very close to him you don't know the messed up life he was forced to lead. His parents were murdered when he was just a child!!! Both of them! Before you all wanna judge know the whole story first.

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Brian Rokos · Top Commenter · Public safety reporter for western Riverside County at Press-Enterprise

Anna Perez, if you'd like to talk about him for a story in the Press-Enterprise so everyone can learn a more complete picture of his life, please email your contact information to breakingnews@pe.com

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Alissa Milne · Follow · Victor Valley College

Regardless of what, or why this man was in this situation is neither here nor there. We all have different journeys in life that lead us to where we are headed.....Because his wasn't the same as yours, you think you're better than? You're ignorant! He was someones child!! People loved him, he mattered! Have some compassion. Who are you to judge, if you haven't walked in their shoes? I've lost a child, I wish nobody ever had to go through that, let alone go through it with comments and opinions like some that I've read. A little respect goes a long way. May this family find peace and comfort in their grieving period, and strength in their hearts to be able to get through this rough time. Prayers to those in need.

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Thane Gallagher · Top Commenter

Wow, sanctimonious much? Had he gone ahead and killed any of the police officers, who also have families and are indeed someone's children, would he have trotted out the 'compassion' card in court too? Why have prisons at all, if all there's left to say is 'have you walked in his shoes'? I mean, that excuses everything, doesn't it? Rape, assault, theft, murder, DUI, etc., I mean...you name it. Apologists always clamor for 'compassion', but people breaking the law and putting the public at risk NEVER exhibit the same.

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Damn Skippy I Speak My Mind

Thane Gallagher Beautifully said Thane!

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Robert Dayana · Corona, California

Everyone should watch what they post even more so when all you have to do is click a button to fun out who they are and what city the stay in just saying

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Julianna Malter · Tempe, Arizona

So basically I can tell the cops you just publicly posted a threat to like 60 people? Hopefully they shoot you too when you run, just saying.

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Jessica Naranjo · Works at Being Mommy

MY CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS TO THE FAMILY SORRY FOR YOUR LOSS, ALSO FOR THOSE POSTING SOME WAY OUT COMMENTS HAVE SOME RESPECT FOR THE FAMILY I UNDERSTAND THAT PEOPLE HAVE ALL KINDS OF OPINIONS ABOUT THIS MATTER BUT THERES NO NEED TO BE DISRESPECTFUL

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My heart and prayers go out to the family, its such a sad situation to be in ,there is always two sides to every story and i can guarantee you only one is given...unfortunately i know exactly what you are going through and we will only hear one side which is always the police side ...the press is not your friend they will twist your words and find all the past faults on the victim, try to figure out some way to blame them... i seriously doubt they ever saw a gun! And yes people will judge and leave nasty commits only by what they read,not what they know! But God knows all things and may he be with you and help your family through this time of grieve, I am so sorry for your loss.

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Dana Flowers · Health at Val Verde Unified School District

Yes i feel for the family but when you find the whole truth out i know the family will use the race card. 1.you had a gun. 2. You ran from police.3. It was near a school for god sake. 4. NNarcotics. so when is the memorial for this so called victim? You know thats coming with he was a good boy. Wasnt doing drugs and we dont know how he got a gun. Yes i do feel for the family. Lets see how he answers to the Lord himself.

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Leslie Pulido

my condolences to this family my i know how u guys feel we went threw the same thing with our family about a year ago and now we are going threw a cort case because of the cops and FBI takeing it a lil to far case is know to be won we think they are hear to protect us when really the are geeting trigger happy they are just waiting to find an excuse to pull that trigger the said thing about it is that they dont even care about the family these men leave behind he was a hard working dad and his four boys that he left be hind are missing him so much so please dont be to fast to gouge a person unless u new them i dont know this family but i know there pain .to this family be strong and ignore all the negative gauge ments keep your heads up and be strong easyer said then done

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Julianna Malter · Tempe, Arizona

I'm sorry, are you serious with those grammar and spelling mistakes?

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Samuel A. Zavala · Top Commenter

Julianna MalterAmazing, isn't it? All these folks who blame the police for killing a great guy are functionally illiterate and have nothing but problems with the police themselves. There's a connection there somewhere, but I'm not sure I can articulate it.

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Thane Gallagher · Top Commenter

Samuel A. Zavala Sure, you can articulate it: ignorance breeds ignorance.

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Mark Nicklas · Top Commenter

so after viewing family's face-books it is obvious that criminal/gang/prison/thug life was the norm for the suspect and his family....cant wait for the carwash...so i can get my car cleaned and drive off for free....

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Mark Nicklas · Top Commenter

so a drug suspect who ran from the cops and had a handgun ends up dead and the usual family comes out saying leave him alone he was good to us. well i say who the hell cares if he was good to you,he was a drug criminal,had a gun with bad motives,ran from the police in a car endangering the public. i say good riddance to a complete thug and d bag from the ghetto..best part is that no cops were hurt is what truly matters

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Rene Perez · Works at Clow Valve

where's your class at have no class at all

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Vanessa Delliskave Jurgensmeier · Pioneer High School

Law abiding and 'great' people don't lead the police on chases. Or is this backwards day?

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Leon Calig Shorter III · Rapper/ Song Writer at Grim Reality Entertainment (GRE)

these negative comments should be deleted. his family has feelings and u don't know the whole story to judge. police in riverside are turning routine stops and drug busts into murder scenes.smh

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Candace Malaki · Works at lhss riverside ca

Thank you leon. This man was a great father son and husband. The media is full



Thank you both. This man was a great father, son and husband. The media is full of lies and no nothing about this family

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Samuel A. Zavala · Top Commenter

Oh please. Talk to the hand. My support goes to the RPD and I'm glad no officers were hurt.

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

thaks my family dont need this.. he is a great dad and husband.. he kept my cousin and their kids happy and that is all that matters

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Cynthia John Cossell

One less bad guy the community has to worry about. Got guns and drugs off the street. That's a plus.

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keep ur comment to urself.. i dont care what u have to say. this is my family u are talking about... thanks..

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Lisa Armbruster

Sorry for the family's loss.

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

thanks

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Norma Lemus · Health Information at Chino Valley Medical Center

Sending prayers to his family it's sad to know that a mother n father are now grieving the loss of there son. No parent should have to bury their child may God comfort their hurting heart.

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thanks

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Anna Paez

Sad to say he had a hard life and his parents were both murdered just like him

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Patrick McGugin · Top Commenter

He was not murdered...Murder is killing out of malice....the police were defending themselves and the public....

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Candace Malaki · Works at lhss riverside ca

Keep your comments to your self this was a very very close friends so I law. So shut up you don't know the hole storynot even a little bit about this man nor his family. Don't believe everything you ready on social media or even hear on the news

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Samuel A. Zavala · Top Commenter

First, learn to spell. Learn to punctuate. Learn how to properly structure a sentence. People take you more seriously when you achieve the aforementioned. Second, nobody in a public forum needs to know anything about the dead suspect or his family. Who cares? I know I don't. Third, this forum as stated above, is public. That means people are not obligated to keep their comments to themselves.

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

Samuel.. keep ur comments to urself.. this is my family u are talking about and we dont need ur guys negativity. thanks..

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Samuel A. Zavala · Top Commenter

Obviously you're more concerned about right than left but this forum is public



Genevieve Luna · I'm sure you don't feel great right now, but this forum is public. Accordingly, it's not your place to be telling others what to do. The world owes you nothing.

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Narcotics investigation so close to a school. That's frightening! Bad things happen when people decide to live their lives breaking the law. I feel bad for his family but if you sell drugs this happens. No excuses.

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

keep ur comments to urswlf thanks

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

tbis is my family u are talking about ... please keep ur negitive comment u ur guys self... he had children and a wife that loved him and family... so please dont got nothing nices to say dont say it at all...

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Melissa Luna · Hostess at Lake Murray Cafe

My family is going through a rough time due to this. So please my family dont need this negativity!!!!

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Jessica Lynn Jacobsen · Rio Mesa High

Go be with your family and get off of FB...

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Melissa Luna · Hostess at Lake Murray Cafe

Man these negative comments dont need to be said. If u have nothing nice to say don't say nothing at all.

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Mike Ramirez · Works at Quad/Graphics

One less criminal on the streets!!

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Samuel A. Zavala · Top Commenter

Couldn't have been that great, huh? Great people don't make it a habit to get caught up in a dope hustle and blown up by the police. They're too busy working, paying bills, paying down a mortgage, and supporting a family.

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Vanessa Delliskave Jurgensmeier · Pioneer High School

Thank god la Granada had an early release day today!! Otherwise a lot of kids and parents would have been in the area. We park near there to avoid the poorly designed parent drop off and pick up.

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Jose Munoz

I saw the ambulance

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Jennifer Lynn Garcia · Works at California Paranormal Private Investigators

The reporter said that I heard "ow, ow, ow but it was 5 gunshots that I heard.

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Lisa Armbruster

5 back to back

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Andy William Cisneros · Loara High School

Happen one street over from my house.

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Mark Nicklas · Top Commenter

no trial,no prison stay just 2 dollars in bullets and a case closed... this is the way to deal with criminals,of course the family will come out saying he was a good boy or he would not have done anything with the gun,or they will scream racist this or that.

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Genevieve Luna · Works at Subway

keep ur comments to urself.. this is my family u are talking bout

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oh well...should have stayed away from drugs and had a gun on him or ran from police....

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The beginning of this ...

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Tonya Lee Emery

The begging of 5hid story says fatal officer involved shooting. Then at the end unknown condition of suspect???? Who wrote this ?

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Ghetto birds out again

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Media not true, one person is dead!

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AMBULANCE FLEW RIGHT BY MY HOUSE

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Miles T Dixon · Mover at VIP Transport (Mayflower Transit and United Van Lines)

I live on keller across the street from the school

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i heard the 5 shots too!

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