

Police search for suspect in Thanksgiving murder

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ROYAL OAK TOWNSHIP, Mich. (WXYZ) - Authorities are looking for a 34-year-old Ferndale man who they say stormed the home of his ex-girlfriend and shot her to death on Thanksgiving day.

Investigators have identified the victim as 38-year-old Fredericka Dixon. They say they received a 911 call around 8:30 p.m. and responded to a location on Westview Avenue in Royal Oak Township.

Upon arriving at the scene, investigators say they found Dixon with several gun shot wounds to the abdomen. They performed CPR, but were unable to revive her and she was pronounced dead at the scene.

Dixon's 18-year-old son was also in the house. He was not harmed, despite the fact that he was standing just a few feet away from her at the time of the shooting.

Police say they are searching for 34-year-old Darius Martice McCrary in connection with the murder. Investigators say he forced his way into the home. McCrary, who is from Ferndale, was last seen driving from the scene in a red 2000 Pontiac Grand Prix with license plate CBY-0827.

Investigators say McCrary and Dixon lived together about 3 years ago and that he had threatened Dixon within the last few weeks. Dixon's next door neighbor Perry Smith says, "It was several times she came to us to look out for her."

"Harassing her, bothering her and her new boyfriend. It was like he would just pop up," said Tyree Smith, Perry's brother. "He just wouldn't let go."

Dixon is believed to be armed and dangerous. Anyone with information about the shooting or his current location should contact the Oakland County Sheriff's Department at 248-858-4911 immediately.

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