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PRESS RELEASE

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**HOMICIDE: DETECTIVES  
SEEKING TO IDENTIFY  
PASSENGER**

**Update (3): 01.15.19**

The passenger shown in the videos has been identified and will not face charges related to this homicide. Per Section 119.071(2)(m)1., Florida Statutes, his identity is being withheld.

Detectives want to thank the public for their assistance throughout this investigation.

**Update (2): 01.11.19**

**Video Link:** <https://youtu.be/Wsx-L3joWMo>

Fort Lauderdale Homicide Detectives are releasing additional video from the Christmas Day homicide of Emmanuel Watts in an effort to identify the passenger of the suspect vehicle.

The passenger is described as a black male, approximately 45 years old, approximately six foot and 250 pounds with salt and pepper facial hair.

His identity is critical to the investigation and anyone with information is encouraged to contact Detective J. Wood at 954-828-5344.

**Update: 01.02.19**

The homicide suspect has been identified as Jeffery Sapp, B/M, 09/04/1972, a resident of the City of Coral Springs.

Fort Lauderdale Homicide Detectives in conjunction with the US Marshals South Florida Regional Fugitive Task Force, and the Coral Springs Police Department took the suspect into custody at his residence in the City of Coral Springs on January 1, 2018.

**Original 12.27.18**

**Video Link:** <https://youtu.be/4ekoXjWydNw>

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a homicide that occurred on Tuesday, December 25<sup>th</sup> at approximately 5:50 P.M. The incident took place at 701 West Broward Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that the suspect arrived at the gas station a short time prior to the victim and waited inside his vehicle until the victim arrived. A passenger of the suspect vehicle exited the vehicle before victim arrived. Once the victim arrived the suspect exited his vehicle at the same time as the victim and followed him into the business while shooting him multiple times. The suspect returned to his vehicle and fled the scene. The victim was transported to Broward Medical Health Center where he was pronounced deceased.

The victim has been identified as Emmanuel Watts, B/M, 9/06/74, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The suspect vehicle is described as a black Dodge Dart.

Detectives are attempting to identify both the suspect and the passenger who exited the suspect vehicle prior to the shooting.

Anyone with information regarding the identification and whereabouts of the suspect is encouraged to contact Detective Jason Wood at 954-828-5344.

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