

Ex-Marshall Student Charged In Death

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GREENFIELD, Ind. — A preliminary charge of first-degree murder was filed in Hancock Superior Court today against a former student at Marshall High School, Indianapolis.

Hancock County Prosecutor Peter Shumacker said the grand jury will convene Wednesday to review the charge filed against Jeffery A. Bailey, 19, 3600 block of Brentwood, in connection with the death of a Marshall freshman Nov. 20.

Bailey was arrested Dec. 22 in Bakersfield, Calif., on a charge of speeding in a car he failed to deliver to Los Angeles for an Indianapolis auto dealer.

Detectives flew an Indiana State Police plane to Los Angeles last Wednesday and returned Bailey to Indiana Friday.

He was taken to court Saturday on the stolen car charge and ordered held in the Marion County Jail in lieu of \$20,000 bond.

The case was continued until Jan. 24.

State Police Sgt. John M. Petty said Bailey has made a statement about the slaying of Robert Jackson Jr., 15. The contents of the statement have not been released.

Jackson was found dead in Buck Creek, near Cumberland, Nov. 22, the same day Bailey withdrew \$50 from a Northeast-side bank and left Indianapolis in a 1965 Chevrolet that he was to deliver to Los Angeles.

Bailey and Jackson were seen together in a bowling alley and in the Chevrolet on the night of Nov. 20, detectives said.

State police laboratory technicians said they have taken samples of blood, hair and clothing from the car Bailey was driving.

He signed a contract Nov. 17 with Love Motors, 3020 N. Sherman, to deliver the car to Los Angeles by Nov. 24.

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