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UPDATE

SUSPECTS IDENTIFIED/WARRANTS OBTAINED FOR ARREST

The Thomasville Police Department, Traffic Safety Team, has identified three suspects involved in the hit and run investigation that led to the death of Halie Marie Cook on Sunday, April 12, 2020. The following suspects have been identified and have active warrants for their arrest:

- 1. 20-year-old, Savannah Lynn Shipwash of Archdale, NC, charged with Felony Hit and Run death/serious injury.**
- 2. 21-year-old Christopher Mitchell Dinkins, Trinity, NC, charged with Accessory After the Fact.**
- 3. 30-year-old Jimmy Clarence Alligood III, Trinity, NC, charged with Accessory After the Fact.**

The Traffic Safety Team, through intense investigation and assistance from the public, was able to identify and seize, pursuant to a search warrant, a white, 1994 Ford Explorer, that was driven at the time of the hit and run crash. The suspect vehicle seized is currently in the evidence processing stage for further evidence examination and identification.

The Thomasville Police Department now asks the public to contact 911 or their local law enforcement agency if any of the above suspects are seen or if their whereabouts are currently known. The Thomasville Crimestoppers Hotline can also be contacted for those who wish to remain anonymous.



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**Savannah Lynn Shipwash
Date of Birth 4-22-2000**



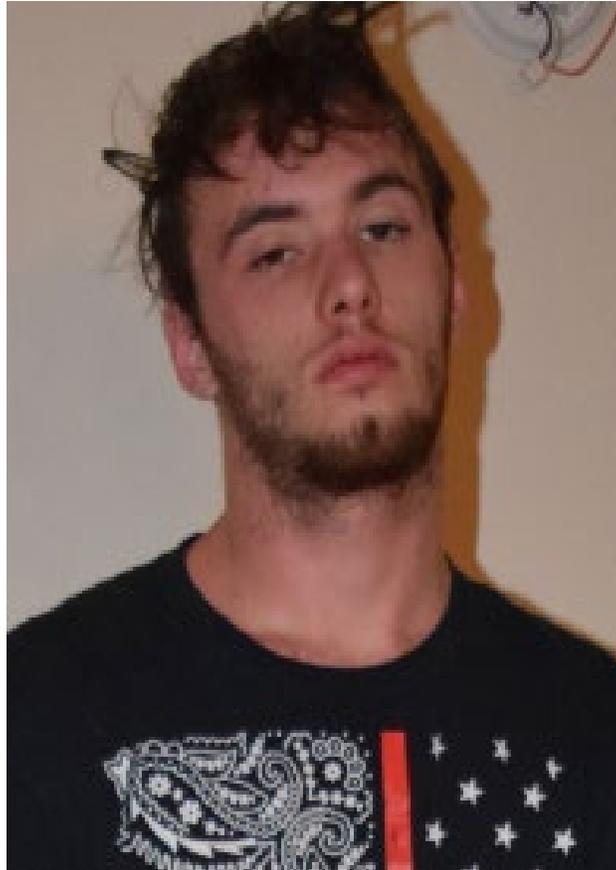
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Christopher Mitchell Dinkins
Date of Birth 10-12-1998



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**Jimmy Clarence Alligood III
Date of Birth 10-10-1989**

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SUSPECT VEHICLE SOUGHT IN HIT AND RUN FATALITY

The Thomasville Police Department, Traffic Safety Team, is asking for the public's assistance in locating the suspect vehicle that was involved in the death of Halie Marie Cook that occurred in front of the Food Lion on Cloniger Drive on April 12, 2020. After reviewing multiple video surveillance cameras from area businesses, the suspect vehicle involved in this incident has been identified as a white in color, sport utility vehicle. This suspect vehicle will have damage to the front bumper area, including damage to the front right passenger headlight area, damage to the front hood area, and damage to the front right quarter panel area.

Any citizen observing a vehicle matching this description and damage or have personal knowledge of the suspect(s) involvement in this fatal crash is asked to contact the Thomasville Police Department's Crime Stoppers Hotline at (336) 476-8477. Crime Stoppers of Thomasville pays cash rewards for information that leads to arrests, seizures, or solving serious crimes. Callers with successful tips remain anonymous and receive rewards up to \$2,000.00.

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Pedestrian Struck and Killed by Hit and Run Vehicle

On Sunday, April 12, at 9:48 pm, the Thomasville Police Department responded to the area of 13 Cloniger Drive in reference to a found body. A preliminary investigation indicated this incident was crash related and revealed 21-year-old Halie Marie Cook of Thomasville, NC, had been struck and killed by an unknown make and model, motor vehicle, traveling on the



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westbound lane of Cloniger Drive, at around 9:40 pm. The unidentified driver of this motor vehicle failed to remain at the crash scene after the initial impact and continued in an unknown direction of travel.

Any citizens with information or witnesses of this crash can contact Sgt. Tony Burgess at (336) 475-4205

This investigation is developing, and more information will be released as it becomes available.

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