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19-0006416 Fatal Domestic

Murfreesboro, TN – On March 31 at approximately 2:55 a.m., Murfreesboro Police Officers responded to a domestic situation at 417 Sunset Avenue.

The preliminary investigation revealed Martin Benito Montemayor, 54, is accused of killing his wife, Judith Montemayor, 53.

Montemayor was charged with First-Degree Murder. He was transported to the Rutherford County Adult Detention Center where he remains without bond.

He was also charged with being a Fugitive from Justice, on an outstanding warrant, stemming from a parole violation from a previous double homicide committed in Texas.

Detectives with the Criminal Investigations Division have requested an autopsy to determine the cause of death.

TALKING POINTS

Sunday morning around 2:55 in the morning, Murfreesboro Police Officers responded to a domestic situation on Sunset Avenue.

The preliminary investigation revealed the suspect Martin Benito Montemayor is accused of killing his wife Judith. Detectives were not able to determine how she died, so an autopsy has been requested and it will be up to the medical examiner to determine the official cause of death.

The suspect was arrested and charged with First-Degree Murder.

There was also an outstanding Fugitive From Justice warrant for his arrest, that stemmed from a parole violation from a previous double homicide he was convicted of in the State of Texas.

Those are details that I'm not privy too, so I would have to refer you to Texas authorities.

Domestic calls are some of the most dangerous for officers because of the usual violent nature of those calls. Emotions are usually running high and responding officers don't know if there are weapons involved. Those type of calls are quite dangerous.

In this situation, the suspect surrendered peacefully, and he was taken into custody and charged appropriately.