



Fayette County Sheriff's Office

Barry H. Babb, Sheriff **November 13, 2014**

Press Information

On Wednesday November 5, 2014 at about 2:42pm Fayette County Sheriff's Deputies responded to a report of a baby not breathing at 120 Woodstream Point. When they arrived, paramedics were on scene treating 10 week old Justin C. Marshall II. The infant was transported by ambulance to Piedmont Fayette Hospital where baby Justin was pronounced dead. It was determined the baby showed signs of injuries consistent with physical abuse. During the initial investigation at the scene, Justin's father, 27 year old Justin Carl Marshall returned as wanted for Misdemeanor Probation Violation from the Judicial Correction Services in Fayette County and was arrested on that charge as well as misdemeanor possession of marijuana. Marshall's wife, 21 year old Tabitha Marshall, the baby's mother was also arrested on scene for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

On Thursday November 13, 2014, after continued investigation and preliminary autopsy reports, Fayette County Sheriff's Detectives obtained arrest warrants for Justin Carl Marshall, 27 of Fayetteville charging him with Felony Murder and Cruelty to Children 1st Degree. The cause of death was non-accidental trauma that was determined to have occurred during the time frame while the infant was alone in his father's care. Marshall is being held in the Fayette County Jail and has a first appearance hearing Friday morning in Magistrate Court.

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