

'Anger, confusion, heartbreak': 4 daughters mourn the loss of their dad in St. Louis County homicide



HAZELWOOD, Mo. — Four daughters in north St. Louis County were left without a father after police confirmed 54-year-old Dewight Price [was shot and killed on Sunday](#).

"A lot of emotion. Anger, confusion, heartbreak. A lot of emotions. A lot of it just doesn't make sense to us," Price's oldest daughter Kirstin Spears said.

Around 6:30 Sunday morning, Price, who was a cab driver, picked up two 18-year-olds, Jeremiah Allen and Tywon Harris both from Florissant.

St. Louis County Police reported that during the ride, the teenagers tried to get money from Price and ended up shooting and killing him.

Police found him inside the cab in the [Hazelwood Central High School](#) parking lot.

"We literally just found out yesterday, after we had just been living our lives," Spears said.

His family saw social media posts about it on Monday. Spears identified him at the medical examiner's office. She said he had an infectious personality.

"Fun, bold, a protector, absolutely. Hardworking, outgoing. He was just a great guy, a very great guy," Spears said.

Price's main job was in construction. He drove cabs as a side job for the last ten years.

"Never been a concern of ours and it's just unfortunate that it happened and he just picked up the wrong passengers," Spears said.

Now, his family is left in disbelief that a senseless act by others leaves them without a loved one.

"Don't take from honest people who work hard and get up early in the morning to make sure they can provide a life for their family or themselves. He was just awesome, hard-working. He just, didn't deserve this at all," Spears said.

The teenagers face second-degree murder and armed criminal action charges. Both are being held without bond.

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'He'd been through so much'; Family of cab driver killed during robbery grappling with loss



ST. LOUIS, Mo. (KMOV) -The family of a local cab driver killed during a robbery said they are still in disbelief that Dewight Price, 54, is gone.

"He's an infectious person, a very friendly people-person," Price's daughter, Amber Price, said. "He's loud and in your face. You can't be around him and be upset."

Price's four daughters said their dad's passion in life was construction, often taking jobs out-of-state.

"He was the best at it," his daughter Kirstin Spears, said. "He loved it." Price worked as a cab driver part-time for about 10 years until a serious construction-related accident a few years ago left him injured.

"Once he recovered, that's when he started driving full time," Spears said. "He just couldn't physically do the construction work anymore, but he loved working."

The women described their dad as the life of the party, always making people laugh. But, his work ethic was impeccable, they said, often joking Price would work until he turned 99.

Because Price had worked as a cab driver for years, they never worried about their dad behind the wheel. Police found Price's body around 6:40 Sunday morning in the parking lot of **Hazelwood Central High School**. They later announced the arrests of two suspects, Jeremiah Allen, 18, and Tywon Harris, 18. Both are now charged with second-degree murder and armed criminal action.

Police allege the two men got into Price's cab and at some point, pulled guns on him and demanded money. They then shot him, according to charging documents.

On Tuesday afternoon, St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney Wesley Bell confirmed two additional suspects have been taken into custody, but have not been formally charged.

"These last few years for us have been bad for everybody, tough for everybody," Spears said. "We go out and work, we don't just take from people making a living, we don't do that."

Two teens charged in killing of cab driver in Hazelwood Central High School parking lot



ST. LOUIS COUNTY — Two teens were charged Monday in the deadly shooting Sunday of a cab driver in north St. Louis County.

Tywon Harris of the 3200 block of Brookshire Drive and Jeremiah Allen of the 1600 block of Langholm Drive, both 18, were charged Monday with second-degree murder and armed criminal action.

Charges say Harris and Allen were riding in Dewight Price's cab Sunday when Harris and Allen pulled guns and threatened to rob Price in his cab in the **Hazelwood Central High School** parking lot at 15875 New Halls Ferry Road.

The teens then shot Price, killing him, charges said. Police said Sunday that **the shooting was at 6:40 a.m.**

Harris and Allen were charged with felony murder because someone died during the commission of a felony: attempted robbery.

Teens charged with murder in fatal shooting on Hazelwood Central parking lot



ST. LOUIS COUNTY, Mo. — Two teens accused of [fatally shooting a man on the parking lot of a St. Louis County high school](#) are facing murder charges.

The victim, Dewight Price was shot and killed near [Hazelwood Central High School](#) on Sunday. On Monday, Jeremiah Allen and Tywon Harris, both of whom are 18-year-old Florissant residents, were charged with second-degree murder in connection with the Sunday morning shooting.

According to charging documents, Price was a cab driver who picked up the teens to give them a ride. During the course of the ride, Allen and Harris pulled out guns and threatened to shoot him in an attempted robbery.

The charging documents said the teens then shot Price, resulting in his death.

Both Allen and Harris were charged with second-degree murder and armed criminal action. They are being held without bond.

Police said in a news release that the shooting does not appear to be connected to the high school in any way.

The Hazelwood School District in a statement said its campus is "safe," and that counselors would be available to students and staff on Monday.

Teens accused of killing cab driver in Hazelwood Central High School parking lot



NORTH ST. LOUIS COUNTY (KMOV) - Two teens are facing charges after a man was found fatally shot in the parking lot of **Hazelwood Central High School** early Sunday morning.

Tywon Harris and Jeremiah Allen, both 18, are charged with second-degree murder and armed criminal action. Authorities say they got into a cab driven by Dewight Price, 54, before they pulled out guns and tried to rob him. The teens are accused of then shooting Price.

Authorities were called about the shooting around 6:40 a.m. Sunday. When officers arrived, they say they found Price shot in the parking lot. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

Harris and Allen are being held without bond.



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