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# Child Abuse resulting in death of an infant

FLORISSANT, MO- On December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019 the St. Louis County Prosecuting Attorney's Office issued warrants for: Abuse or Neglect of a Child Resulting in Death – Class A Felony, Abuse or Neglect of a Child with Serious Physical Injury – Class B Felony and 4 Counts of Abuse or Neglect of a Child – Class D Felonies on:

Sylvester Knighten Jr B/M, 09/03/1988 1400 block of Stonebury Ct Florissant, MO 63033 And

Endangering the Welfare of a Child First Degree Resulting in Death - Class A Felony and Endangering the Welfare of a Child First Degree Resulting in Serious Injury – Class C Felony on:

Danesha Cannamore B/F, 11/18/1988 1400 block of Stonebury Ct Florissant, MO 63033 On December 18th, 2019 The Florissant Police Department responded to the 1400 block of Stonebury Court for a call of an unresponsive male infant. When officers arrived they observed an infant that was unresponsive and immediately began life saving efforts. The Florissant Valley Fire Protection District arrived and transported the infant to an area hospital where he later died.

During the investigation it was determined that the infant's death was a result of a child abuse and immediately arrested Sylvester Knighten Jr. and Danesha Cannamore. Both Knighten Jr and Cannamore are each being held at the St. Louis County Jail.

As you can imagine this is a very difficult and emotional time for everyone involved and our thoughts and prayers are with all of them.

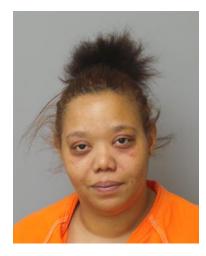
See the booking photos of Sylvester Knighten Jr. and Danesha Cannamore on the next page of this document.

#### **Arrest Photos**

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