



EFFINGHAM POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE



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Michigan Armed Robbery Leads to Standoff at Effingham Truckstop

At approximately 12:15p.m. on March 8th, 2024, Effingham Police Department were contacted by Michigan's Shelby Township Police Department asking to assist in an investigation of a bank robbery that occurred in their jurisdiction on the previous day on March 7th, 2024. Shelby Township PD stated they had tracked the suspect's vehicle to the city of Effingham.

Within the hour, Effingham Police Officers located the suspect's semi-truck at the TA Truck Stop and initial contact was made. The suspect resisted arrest and barricaded himself in the truck, while the responding officer disabled the truck to prevent escape. After nearly 8 hours of negotiations failed, the suspect was found unresponsive in his vehicle. 33-year-old Jamon S. Weaver of Georgia was pronounced deceased at the scene by the Effingham County Coroner Kim Rhodes.

Chief McFarland stated "Responding officers and agencies quickly located the suspect's vehicle from the time of the initial call. Officers safely isolated the suspect and removed any threat of danger to the nearby public. Responding personnel's training, patience, and professionalism was steadfast in the safety of both the officers and motoring public while attempting to resolve this incident.

Chief Jason McFarland praised all the responding officers who were able to locate the vehicle within minutes of the initial call. Chief McFarland would like to give his sincere gratitude to the agencies who assisted EPD in this incident which included Effingham County Sheriff's Department, Illinois State Police, Illinois Department of Natural Resources, Rural Med EMS, Effingham Fire Department, and the Shelby Township Police Department in Michigan.

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