



Gulfport Police Department News Release



Subject: Road Rage/ Stabbing
Date: 4/19/2016
Location: 1418 58th Street South
Arrested: John Richard Jacob Reynolds
W/M DOB: 3/18/1993
1308 60th Street South

Narrative

Gulfport, FL—At approximately 2:45 PM on this date, officers were dispatched to the convenience store located at 1418 58th Street South in reference to a stabbing. The investigation has revealed that the situation unfolded from a road rage incident that occurred further north on 58th Street where one vehicle is alleged to have cut the other one off in traffic.

The two vehicles pulled into the parking lot of the convenience store at the above address, and two men (John Reynolds and the victim) walked into the store, where a verbal confrontation took place. As the victim tried to pay for his purchase, Reynolds stepped into his path and taunted him. This led to a tussle outside, and seconds later, Reynolds produced a knife and stabbed the victim twice in the torso. Reynolds then walked away, but returned at least two times, taunting the victim with further comments before eventually returning to his truck, pumping gas, and driving away.

Reynolds is 5'11, 170 pounds, and 23 years of age.
The victim is 6'1", 250lbs, and 53 years of age.

Witnesses provided a description of Reynolds' truck, and approximately two hours later, officers found it parked under a tree near 13th Avenue South and Gray Street. The registration listed an address on the next block, and officers located Reynold's there. He was found in possession of a folding knife at the time he was taken into custody.

The victim is being treated for serious injuries as a result of the stabbing, but his condition has been listed as stable. Reynolds has been charged with aggravated battery, and he will be held at the Pinellas County Jail.

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