



August 27, 2021: The Broomfield Police Department has arrested one person in connection with Wednesday's homicide in the Sunridge Neighborhood of Broomfield. Joseph Maestas-Sanchez, 22, was taken into custody on Thursday. He is accused of shooting and killing 71-year-old Broomfield resident Michael Lewis just before 6:30 am Wednesday morning.

Investigators allege Mr. Lewis was shot when he attempted to confront the suspect who was attempting to enter unlocked vehicles in the area. Additional details will remain under investigation and are not available for public release at this time.

Maestas-Sanchez is being held at the Broomfield Detention Center, without bond, pending the filing of formal charges by the 17th Judicial District Attorney's Office.

Detectives continue to investigate this case and have identified additional suspects believed to be responsible for the criminal trespass crimes in the same area. The number of additional suspects, and their names, are being withheld because the investigation into their involvement is ongoing.

This crime has understandably left many residents shaken. Detectives have worked around clock and will continue to do so to bring this case to conclusion.

Anyone who has additional details regarding this investigation who has not already spoken with police can call the tip line at 303-464-5749 or Metro Denver Crime Stoppers: 720.913.7867.