

Mother arrested in stabbing death of girl

FORT WORTH (AP) — The 18-year-old mother of a 4-year-old girl who was fatally stabbed has confessed to the attack and has been arrested on a capital murder charge, shifting the focus of the investigation from her mother, police say.

Amy Ivy was being held Sunday in Tarrant County Jail in lieu of \$300,000 bail. Investigators said they don't have a motive in the stabbings.

Shaantraniece Ivy's throat was slit and she was stabbed in the back several times while she slept early Monday morning in the home she shared with her mother, grandmother and other family, police said.

The grandmother, 38-year-old Jessie May Ivy, was also stabbed in the attack. She spent Sunday in a Fort Worth hospital recovering from surgery for stab wounds to her head, neck and upper chest.

The younger Ms. Ivy, whose name is spelled Ivey in some documents, was arrested Friday night after questioning by homicide detectives, who said they had learned new information from her mother.

Homicide Sgt. Paul Kratz said Amy admitted that she, not her mother, killed the girl.

Amy Ivy's "statements alludes to her wanting to spare her child the life (she) had led," Kratz said. "It's very hard to come up with an explanation for something that defies regular thoughts.

"How in the world do you come up with the explanation for killing a 4-year-old?"

According to Amy Ivy's initial story, which police now say is untrue, she awoke around 6:30 a.m. because she heard a commotion, went to her daughter's room and found her stabbed to death. The teen-ager also said she saw her mother in the bathroom cleaning a

bloody knife, which led to a struggle in which she stabbed her mother.

Jessie Ivy is unable to speak but has written police notes about the incident. The first note said, "My daughter Amy tried to kill me in sleep," according to an arrest warrant.

The grandmother's second note recounted how she awoke to someone stabbing her in the neck and then fought with the attacker.

The note said Amy Ivy stuck her fingers into the hole in Jessie's Ivy neck and said, "Die, die."

Homicide officials who had put the grandmother under police guard had said last week they were planning to charge her with murder once her condition improved. They had said nothing pointed to anyone other than the grandmother.

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There were 3,741 traffic deaths in the state in 1996 and 1,991 of them were considered alcohol-related, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

"These are incidents which we could do something about," said Gary Taylor, senior regional program manager for the federal agency.

Texas' 53.2 percent is a 3-percent improvement from the previous year. However, it is still far worse than the national average of 40.9 percent.

"Even though we had a percentage decrease in Texas, we still

had more crosses in the cemeteries," Taylor said.

In raw numbers, Texas had more alcohol-related traffic deaths than other states with large populations. California had 1,606 such deaths, Florida 1,015 and New York 523.


Taylor's agency considers a traffic death as alcohol-related when evidence shows that either a driver or a nonpassenger, such as a pedestrian or cyclist, had a blood alcohol content of 0.01 or greater. A blood alcohol content of 0.10 percent is considered legally intoxicated.

Harris County led Texas with 252 such deaths. There were 151 in Dallas County. Tarrant County's total of 78 represents 60.5 percent of its 129 traffic deaths.

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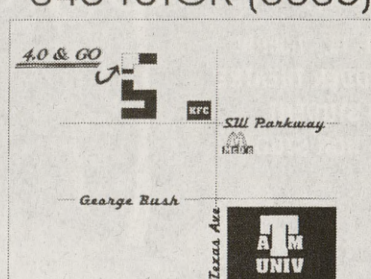
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