

Timothy C. Canaday

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Timothy Craig Canaday, 46, was born in Wheatland, WY on March 6, 1962 to Bert and Bonnie Canaday of Guernsey, WY.

On January 8, 1993 he married Lleann Stofflet in Wheatland, WY

They lived in the Wheatland area until 1996 when they moved to Cheyenne. As a child he enjoyed raccoon hunting and tinkering with cars. Tim always had a passion for rebuilding and restoring cars.

He was the type of man who would drop everything to help a person in need. His generosity and kindness touched the hearts of many throughout his life. He will always be remembered and loved.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Bert and Bonnie Canaday.

Tim is survived by his wife Lleann of Burns, three daughters Carrie Valencia - Taos, NM, Misty Canaday- Cheyenne and Tammy Jo Canaday of Chanute, KS, six brothers Counts of Bradford, Arkansas. Also surviving are four grandchildren and 21 nieces and nephews.

Memorial services will be held Monday at Schrader Chapel at 2:00 p.m. with Nadine Korhonen officiating.

Cremation has taken place at Schrader's Sunset Park Crematory.

Schrader Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.





Deputies from the Laramie County Sheriff's Department, with officers from the Cheyenne Police Department, document the scene at 3704 Carey Ave., where Wayne Shook was apprehended for the alleged killing of an individual east of Cheyenne on Wednesday evening. Brandon Quester/staff

CHEYENNE -- A Burns man is dead because of a dispute over an engine block, the Laramie County Sheriff's Office reports.

Wednesday evening, at nearly 8:30, deputies went to a one-story home outside of Burns where 46-year-old Timothy C. Canaday was found dead in his yard from two gun wounds.

Thursday, Cheyenne resident Wayne "Bubba" Shook, 43, was in jail, held on a first-degree murder charge.

Today at 1:30 p.m., he will make his initial appearance in Laramie County Circuit Court.

Canaday and Shook were co-workers at the Grease Monkey on East Lincolnway. They reportedly had an ongoing dispute over an engine block that Shook bought from Canaday, said Laramie County Sheriff's Lt. Linda Gesell.

Shook paid \$4,000 for the block, and, apparently, some of the valves were faulty, Gesell said.

Shook told authorities that he planned to ask Canaday one more time to "make good on the deal;" if he didn't, he was going to shoot him, Gesell said.

With an older, small-caliber revolver in his possession, Shook drove Wednesday to Canaday's home on Old Squaw Lane near the town of Burns.

Shook admitted to drinking, but that didn't seem to factor in the shooting, Gesell said, adding that he was coherent during the interview.

According to Gesell, the encounter went like this:

Lleann Canaday answered the door. Shook asked for Tim Canaday. She invited him in. Shook said no, he'd rather talk to him outside.

Tim Canaday came, and again Shook was invited inside. Again, Shook declined, asking to speak with Canady outside.

Canaday got a jacket and went out. The men had a "brief discussion" about the engine block, "on making good on this bad car engine deal," Shook said.

Canaday responded, "'You have what you have; a deal is a deal.' That's when Shook shot him," Gesell said.

Shook allegedly shot Canady twice, once in the head, once in the abdomen.

"(Shook) messed up two families," said Jerry Canaday, Tim Canady's older brother who was reached at his home in Torrington on Thursday. "It's kind of bad deal for anyone to lose their lives when they're way too young."

Shook was arrested later near his home at 3704 Carey Ave. A search of his vehicle yielded what is believed to be the weapon used in the incident and some ammunition.

No one answered the door at the one-story ranch near Burns Thursday afternoon nor was a message to contact the Wyoming Tribune Eagle returned.

Jerry Canady said his brother, who he called "Timmy," was a husband and father of three daughters. His "main deal" in life was to be a mechanic.

He was always willing to go to Torrington to do repairs on the trucks for Jerry Canady's water well service business.

"Tim had a good personality -- I think he was well-liked by most people," Jerry Canady said.

"He had his problems. He had been in a few scrapes. He was just getting his life really together -- I was really proud of him."

The Wyoming sex offender registry lists both Tim and Lleann Canady. Both were convicted of immoral and indecent acts with a child in Wheatland in 1996, according to the registry.

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