- D.O.D May 15, around 3:30PM
- P.O.D Near the Pawsitive Vet Clinic (104 North Gilcrease Museum Road)
- C.O.D Shooting
- Victim Elmer Noe Vargas-Aviles (21 years old)
- Suspect Tulsa Police Officer
- Details Officers were informed of a man randomly shooting off a gun at passing cars in broad daylight on Gilcrease Museum Road. When officers arrived on scene, they were also met by gunfire from Vargas, who was inside his SUV, and they returned fire and killed Vargas in his vehicle in the area of Pawsitive Veterinary Care. It isn't clear why Vargas was shooting at cars in the first place, Captain Richard Muellenberg indicated Vargas may have been targeting a couple people he knew, but didn't make clear if those "people" had been in the area.

Court Outcome: No charges were filed as Vargas was an active and ongoing threat to the public and to the police.

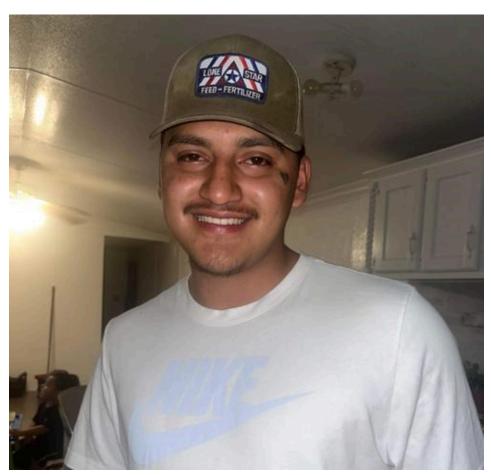






Victim

Suspect (Officer not identified)



Elmer Vargas-Aviles [2/16/2003 - 5/15/2024]