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Gorby killed by single gunshot

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LIBERTY

A Pickens County coroner said one gunshot killed a 41-year-old man on Friday.

Paul Gorby of Central was shot and killed by a Pickens County Sheriff's deputy on Cassell Road in Liberty, said Kandy Kelley, chief deputy coroner.

The autopsy was conducted on Saturday. In addition to the fatal shot, the body also had a graze from another bullet, Ms. Kelley said. The South Carolina Division of Law Enforcement is investigating the shooting, as is routine in an officer-involved death.

The shooting was a result of an attempted arrest for manufacturing and distribution of methamphetamine.

Mr. Gorby, in an attempt to flee, fired multiple shots that missed officers. One officer returned fire. Mr. Gorby was a passenger in a Chevrolet pickup truck driven by Randy Brooks, 32, of Williamston, according to a statement from the sheriff's office and Assistant Sheriff Tim Morgan.

According to warrants:

In October, Pickens deputies accused Mr. Gorby of trafficking between 100 and 200 grams of meth.

About nine days later, Mr. Brooks was accused in an Anderson County warrant of possessing the chemicals and materials for meth manufacture.

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