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Standoff ends with man's suicide OPDD was trying to serve warrants at house on J.R. Miller Boulevard

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Article Text:

A 30-year-old Owensboro man who police said told family members he "wasn't going to be taken alive" killed himself early Thursday during a six-hour standoff with police. Jeremy Scott Glenn died from a single gunshot wound to his head. He was found by police in an upstairs bedroom at 520 J.R. Miller Blvd. about 4:30 a.m. after officers fired tear gas canisters into the home, police said. According to police, officers had been seeking Glenn for several weeks to serve him with six arrest warrants, including two for trafficking in a controlled substance while armed. Officers with the Owensboro Police Department's street crimes unit found Glenn at the house about 10:15 p.m. Wednesday, but he refused to answer the door, police said. "Officers made an attempt to get him to come out and he would not," said Owensboro Police Chief John Kazlauskas. According to Capt. David Thompson, Glenn knew the owner of the house, who is living somewhere else, and had been staying there for several weeks without the owner's knowledge. Officers evacuated neighboring homes and closed the street while attempting to talk to Glenn on the telephone, police spokesman Officer Doug Esther said. The emergency response team and crisis negotiators were also called to the scene, Esther said. While talking with Glenn, negotiators learned there was another person in the home, later determined to be 27-year-old Sarah Hofsetter of the 700 block of Bolivar Street. Police also learned that Glenn had made statements to family members about killing officers who tried to take him into custody and also about killing himself. "He had made threats to officers and was considered armed and dangerous," Kazlauskas said. Through negotiations, Hofsetter was released from the house about 2 a.m., and she told police Glenn had been smoking methamphetamine and had refused to let her leave the house, Esther said. Hofsetter knew the owner of the house and had gone there to do her laundry, Thompson said. Glenn made no threats against her until the police became involved, at which point he refused to let her leave, he said. Negotiators continued to attempt to persuade Glenn to come out of the house, but negotiations broke down about 4 a.m., Esther said, after which the decision was made to use tear gas to flush Glenn out. Shortly after the tear gas was used, officers heard a single gunshot in the house, Esther said. When negotiators were unable to reach Glenn on the phone, the emergency response team was sent into the house and found Glenn lying dead on a couch in an upstairs bedroom. "Rather than come out and face arrest, he took his own life with a handgun," Kazlauskas said. A small

amount of methamphetamine and marijuana and pieces of drug paraphernalia were found, Esther said. "It's another tragic event that takes place because of methamphetamine and other drugs in our community," Kazlauskas said. "It was a sad situation." Owen Covington, 691-7334, [ocovington@messenger-inquirer.com](mailto:ocovington@messenger-inquirer.com)  
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