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LEG AS SHE FLED WHEN FATHER FORCED HIS WAY INTO HOME

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A 36-year-old Gloucester County man and his wife were killed Saturday after a nine-hour hostage situation ended in a murder-suicide, Virginia State Police said.

Allen C. Smith and 35-year-old Nancy Smith were pronounced dead at the home in the 2800 block of Kings Creek Road in the Achilles section of the county, said Tammy Van Dame, state police spokeswoman. Their bodies were taken to the medical examiner's office in Richmond for autopsies.

Shortly after 4 a.m., state police were called to assist the Gloucester County Sheriff's Department at the home after the couple's 15-year-old daughter called and said Smith forced his way into the residence. The girl was shot in the thigh as she fled the home, Van Dame said. After numerous attempts to communicate and negotiate with the man, the state police tactical team and Gloucester County deputies entered the home and found two people dead.

The 15-year-old girl was transported to Walter Reed Hospital and treated for a gunshot wound to her leg. She was released to an aunt who is caring for her.

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