

Davis, Mrs. Norman

Lorraine

SA Walsh

VI-20

On 3/23/68 Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Lukie Ward left Louisville, Ky., for vacation; stayed night at Holiday Inn near Birmingham, next night stayed Howard Johnson Motel near Fort Walton Beach, Florida. Next day drove to Panama City, Fla., and rented Kitchette of Treasure Island Motel. Rev. A.D. Williams King flew to Panama City, Fla. and stayed in adjoining kitchette. They went together and Memphis, Tenn., to Lorraine Motel. Mrs. Davis had room 201; Mrs. Ward, room 207, They looked for Martin Luther King, but could not find him.

Martin Luther King arrived at about 3 a.m. by taxi with Rev. Ralph Abernathy and Rev. Bernard Lee; all were invited by Mrs. Ward to join them in room 207. Abernathy;

Lee left shortly. Dr. King stayed until about 5 am; then left and said he was going to room 306. Mrs. Davis left and went to room 201.

About one-half hour later, Dr. King came to room 201 and visited with Mrs. Davis. Miss Katherin Pedin mentioned Mrs. Davis told Dr. King that she probably would not remain in Memphis since march had been rescheduled from 4/5 to 4/8/68. Dr. King said to talk to him before deciding finally and that he planned a strategy meeting 8 am, 4/4/68, Dr. King left Mrs. Ward joined Mrs. Davis in room 201; they talked until about noon.

At about 1 or 1:30 pm Dr. King returned to room 201 and told Mrs. Davis he was going to rest in room 306. Dr. King made several phone calls from room 201. A.D. Williams King came in. Abernathy and Lee came in.

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Mrs. Davis phoned Mrs. Ward and invited her to come in. Mrs. Ward came, then left to get some laundry for Mrs. Davis - Channcey Eskridge and Andrew Young came in. Mrs. Ward returned.

At 5:45 pm Dr. King said he was going to dinner at home of Rev. Billy Kyles and invited Mrs. Davis. She said she would need about 15 minutes to freshen up. Dr. King said he would go to his room to freshen up and wait for her.

Just after putting on her raincoat, Mrs. Davis heard a shot. Went outside and heard someone say that Dr. King had been shot. Saw Dr. King's feet protruding over balcony near room 306. Mrs. Davis went near Dr. Kings body and stayed there until ambulance arrived approximately 10 minutes after shot.

Rev. Jackson made a press statement. Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Ward made plans for staying elsewhere several time but finally returned to Lorraine Motel and stayed there for night. They left Memphis about 9 am, April 5 and drove to Atlanta, Ga.

Mrs. Davis has no knowledge of any threats.

DAVIS, Detective R.R.

Lorraine Motel

I-58

Interviewed Rev. Young 4/4 with
SA Douglass.

DUFOUR, W.A. (Sheriff's
Office)

Lorraine
Motel

I-80

Ran up stairs to King's body.

ELLISON, Dect. Calvin Lorraine Motel

I-164 Developed prints of Dect. Smith's
 photos.

ELLISON, Dect. Calvin

Lorraine Motel

SA Teten

I-165

Took photos of body of King and
environs.

ESKRIDGE, Chauncey

Lorraine Motel SA Hester

I-50

Was watching King at time of shooting King was on balcony, leaning over railing, speaking with others about his dinner engagement. Eskridge was facing King, heard sound to his right ear. King was facing Mulberry St. Believes shot came from houses overlooking Mulberry or high grass in yards behind houses overlooking Mulberry.

No information which might identify killer.

ESKRIDGE, Chauncey

Lorraine Motel

I-56

In court yard when King shot -
seen by Rev. Lee.

Eskridge, Chauncey

Lorraine.

VI-23

came into room 201 afternoon of 4/4
with Andy Young.

Eskridge, Chauncey

Lorraine

VI-26

gathered in room 201 afternoon of 4/4

Eskridge, Chauncey

Lorraine

VI-39

King spoke to him just before shot 4/4

ESTER, Clara

Lorraine Motel

I-43

Arrived at Motel 5:55 p.m. 4/4 in
white pontiac tempest - student
at LeMoyne College. Lives 396
LaClede, Memphis.

ESTER, Clara

Lorraine Motel

I-46

Climbed up balcony; standing next to McCullough who was tending Kings wounds.

Harrell, Edwina

Lorraine

VI-45

At motel 54/4. Left 5:45 pm

Harrison, Lt. J.L.

Lorraine

VI-119

with Zelinski when measurements taken
between Lorraine and rooming house.

Hastings, Bud

Lorraine

VI-20

owner of Motel in Florida where Mrs. Davis
stayed before coming to Memphis 4/4

Hastings, Frances

Lorraine

VI-29

owner of motel in Florida where Davis,
Ward, King stayed prior to 4/4

HAYES, Olivia

Lorraine Motel

SA Bauer
Darlington

I-63

Maid on duty from noon to 8 p.m.
4/3 and 4/4. Saw or heard nothing.

Holbrook, Arthur C.

Lorraine

Extradition (of Francisco)
Affidavit

Survived surveying of crime scene area
with Zelinski and Harrison on 4/23/68
and prepared diagram of trajectory
angles.

(Attached to above affidavit)

Holbrook, Arthur C.

Lorraine

VI-119

with Zelinski when measurements taken of
Lorraine and rooming house.

HOLDER, Elmer C.

Lorraine Motel

SA Teten

I-171

Took photos from air of Motel on 4/10.

HUNT, MARY

Lorraine Motel

I-43

Arrived at Motel 5:55 p.m. 4/4.
in white tempest of Clara Ester.
Lives in Orange Mound area of
Memphis.

HUNT, Mary

Lorraine Motel

I-46

Climbed up balcony: standing
near McCullough who was tending
Kings wounds.

JACKSON, Rev. Jesse

Lorraine Motel

I-45

Seen by McCullough looking at his door
at King just after King shot.

JACKSON, Rev. Jesse

Lorraine Motel

I-53

Standing by room 305 when King
shot.

Jackson, Rev. Jesse .

Lorraine

VI-21

at church morning of 4/4 where SCLC
strategy meeting occuring.

JONES, Soloman

Lorraine Motel SA Douglass

I-51

King's chauffeur while in Memphis. Background of King's activities. Approx. 6 p.m., 4/4/68, Jones saw King come out of 2nd floor room and go to room 306. As he was about to enter, he told Jones to start car. Jones started car; king entered 306. A short time later King came out of 306, stood on balcony, exchanged remarks with Jones. While Jones was watching King, who was facing west, Jones heard sound like fire-cracker. Saw King fall and started screaming. He and Eskridge ran toward Mulberry St. Jones caught glimpse 26 person - no description except wore colored jacket. Returned to

JONES, Soloman (continued)

motel, lay on bed, drove Young and Lee to hospital.

JONES, Soloman

Lorraine Motel

I-56

Seen in courtyard when King shot by
Rev. Lee.

JONES, Soloman

Lorraine Motel

I-58

King spoke to him re going to
dinner - seen by Young on ground
level.

Jones, Solomon

LORRAINE

VI-39

Talking with King just before shot 4/4

King, Rev. A.D. Williams

Lorraine

VI-20

in Memphis with Mrs. Davis 4/4 for
March 4/5.

King, Rev. A.D. Williams

Lorraine

VI-26

At motel 4/4

King, Rev. A.D. Williams

Lorraine

VI-42

Was supposed to come to dinner at Rev.
Kyles 4/4

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine

I-43

Seen by McCullough standing on balcony 2nd floor in front of room 306 just before shot. 4/4 seen by McCullough falling backwards, grasping throat.

I-45

McCullough applied pressure to Kings wounds - first to arrive at Kings body.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine Motel

I-46

Abernathy applied pressure to Kings
wounds after McCullough.

KING, Martin L.

Lorraine Motel

I-48

Seen wounded on balcony by Abernathy.

KING, Martin L.

Lorraine Motel

I-50

Eskridge talking to King from
parking lot. Seen by Eskridge on
balcony wounded after shot.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine Motel

I-52

Came out on balcony around 6:00 p.m.
4/4 to tell Jones they were ready
to go to dinner and to start car.
Jones told him to put on coat. Seen
fall to balcony when shot by room
306.

KING, Martin L.

Lorraine Motel

I-55

Seen on balcony around 6 p.m. by
Rev. Lee.

I-56

Seen lying on balcony by him.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine Motel

I-58

Seen by Young on balcony before and after shooting.

I-59

His blood seen pouring out - his pulse strong - seen by Young.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine Motel

I-61

Seen fall by maid, Ceolar Shavers,
after shot.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine

I-89

Seen fall backwards on balcony by
Charles Stone.

I-90

Seen shot by fireman Loenneke, King,
and PD Richmond at firehouse.

KING, Martin Luther

Lorraine
Motel

I-97

William King saw him on balcony, saw
him shot from firehouse.

King, Martin Luther

Lorraine

VI-22

arrived at motel about 3 am /4/4 after
meeting and spoke with Mrs. Davis and
brother until 5 a.m.

King, Martin Luther

Lorraine

VI-26

in room 201 until 5:40 pm 4/4

KING, Fireman Wm.

Lorraine
Motel

I-90

In firehouse - Saw King shot.

KING, William

Lorraine
Motel

I-91

At firehouse with Loenneke looking
at King 4/4 at 6 pm.