

Man Shot at Burger King, Pronounced Dead at MTV Taping Session



July 11, 2001 — An MTV crew videotaping on the West Side early Tuesday was caught up in a drama when a woman drove up with two shooting victims, one of them dead and the second dying.

The shooting took place at around 12:30 a.m. as the woman and two men were in a car in the parking lot of a Burger King restaurant at 1482 N. Milwaukee Av., according to Grand Central Area Detective Richard Cerny. A man climbed out of another vehicle, approached them, and fired several shots into their car.

The 20-year-old woman moved into the driver's seat and drove out of the lot, looking for the police, Cerny said. She saw some officers near Winchester and North avenues, where they were blocking the street so an MTV crew could tape exterior footage for the show "The Real World," according to

Shakespeare District Capt. Charles Dulay.

The woman had been in the back seat, but when the gunfire started, she climbed into the front and drove away, police News Affairs Ptl. Alice Casanova said. A fourth person from the victim's car had left the vehicle; he flagged down a cab to follow the woman, Casanova said.

One victim, Marcos Rodriguez, 21, of the 5100 block of West Grace Street, was pronounced dead at 3 a.m. at the roadblock, at 1930 W. North Av., according to a spokesman for the Cook County medical examiner's office.

The other victim, Oscar Gutierrez, 40, of the 2400 block of North Newcastle Avenue, was pronounced dead at Cook County Hospital at 7:58 p.m., according to the medical examiner's office and police News Affairs Sgt. Robert Cargie.

Both victims had been shot in the head, according to a report to the police First Deputy Superintendent's office.

Police were looking for a man described as black, about 20, around 5 feet 8 inches tall, and weighing approximately 170 pounds. He was wearing a black hat, black hood, jean shorts and gym shoes, News Affairs spokeswoman Robin Mohr said.

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