Wanted Man Dead After Officer-Involved Shooting In Tahlequah

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Oklahoma Highway Patrol Troopers have confirmed that the man police believe shot at Fort Gibson Police on Monday has been killed by law enforcement near Tahlequah.

"We're sad that it had to end this way," said Fort Gibson Police Chief Rob Fraizer.

Troopers say that OHP, U.S. Marshals, and Cherokee County Deputies set up a roadblock near Allen Road and the Highway 51 Bypass to stop James Thompson. Sometime during the events Thompson was shot and killed.

"Shots were fired by law enforcement and unfortunately the suspect did die on scene," said OHP Trooper Adam Wood.





Court records show Thompson had five active warrants out of Muskogee County. He's also wanted in Wagoner County. After Fort Gibson police accused him of shooting at an officer, U.S. Marshals sought after Thompson as well.

OHP collected evidence at the scene so the shooting can be investigated.

Thompson has a lengthy criminal history and has served prison time for drugs, stolen cars, running from police and running a roadblock.





"We've seen this enough and this is what we didn't want, but it's what we thought would happen. Our prayers go out to the family and also to the officers that were involved," Fraizer said.