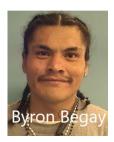
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A candlelight vigil was held by the grieving family of shooting victim Byron Begay May 18, who was shot dead by an unknown assailant more than a week ago.

This family's nightmare began May 10, around noon, when Gallup Police were called to the Cliffside Apartments, 602 Dani Dr., based on eye witnesses saying that a man had been shot.

Officers arrived at the apartments and discovered an unresponsive man, who was later identified as Begay, 32, of Churchrock, lying in the road. He had at least two gunshot wounds to the torso area.

Officers administered CPR, however Begay was pronounced dead at the scene.

According to the police report, witnesses said that the suspect(s) fled the scene in a white Ford Taurus with a New Mexico Chile license plate.

Man shot dead on Dani Avenue ID'd

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In a statement posted on Facebook May 17, Gallup Police said that suspect is believed to be a "thin Native American or Hispanic male with a tattoo on his right forearm."

This is an ongoing investigation. More details will be released as they become available.

Those with any information related to this case are encouraged to call Metro Dispatch at (505) 722-2002 or Crime Stoppers at 1-877-722-6161. Callers may remain anonymous. Reference case #22-18781.

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