

## Man shot dead on Kit Carson

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On June 12 around 2 am, Gallup police officers were dispatched to 1511 Kit Carson Dr. in reference to a man who had been shot.

One of the residents at the home, Andrew Martinez, 19, of Gallup, stated he had shot a man, who was later identified as Freddie Chiquito, 62, after he discovered him “snooping” in his yard, according to a GPD news release.

Officers arrived on scene and discovered Chiquito laying on a sidewalk near the residence. Officers saw that the man had a gunshot wound to his upper torso and believed that the man was dead. Medical personnel from the Gallup Fire Department arrived on scene and confirmed that Chiquito had died.

Officers searched Martinez’s residence and discovered an AK-47, believed to be the weapon used to shoot Chiquito. During Martinez’s interview, he stated that he shot Chiquito after he “popped out” and he fired a shot as a “reflex”.

Andrew Martinez was booked into the McKinley County Adult Detention Center on an open count of murder, a capital felony.

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