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Pasadena Man Charged in Triple Murder Case

A Pasadena man was charged today with three counts of capital murder in Saturday's shooting rampage and police standoff, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

John Izeal Smith (dob 01/31/70) is scheduled to be arraigned sometime today at Los Angeles County Superior Court in Pasadena, Department D. Prosecutors will ask that he be held without bail.

The Crimes Against Peace Officers Section is prosecuting the case.

Smith was charged in case GA092026 with three counts of murder with the special circumstance of multiple murders and the special allegation that he personally and intentionally discharged a rifle. In addition, he was charged with three counts of attempted murder, including the attempted murder of a police officer.

Prosecutors will decide later whether to seek the death penalty.

Smith is charged with fatally shooting Maria Aguiar, 59, her 90-year-old father, Luis Aguiar, and Jose Hernandez Iribe, 29. The shootings occurred Saturday afternoon in the 1700 block of North Summit Avenue. Smith was arrested following a standoff with police.

The case remains under investigation by the Pasadena Police Department.

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Los Angeles County District Attorney Jackie Lacey leads the largest local prosecutorial office in the nation. Her staff of nearly 1,000 attorneys, 300 investigators and 800 support staff members is dedicated to seeking justice for victims of crime and enhancing public safety. Last year, the [Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office](#) prosecuted more than 73,000 felony defendants and 113,000 misdemeanor defendants.