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Bryan Giles Sentenced to Life in Prison
Giles shot his cousins in the head

AKRON, OHIO – March 19, 2014 – Summit County Prosecuting Attorney Sherrri Bevan Walsh today announced that Judge Alison McCarty sentenced Bryan Giles, 20, of Blanche Street in Akron, to life in prison. He will be eligible for parole after serving 62 ½ years in prison. Giles will be 81.

On January 28, a jury found Giles guilty of:

- Aggravated Murder with one firearm specification and three death specifications;
- Attempted Murder, a felony of the first degree, with one firearm specification;
- Aggravated Burglary, a felony of the first degree, with one firearm specification;
- Aggravated Robbery, a felony of the first degree, with one firearm specification;
- Felonious Assault, a felony of the second degree, with one firearm specification;
- Tampering with Evidence, a felony of the third degree; and
- Receiving Stolen Property, a felony of the fourth degree.

On February 5, 2013, Giles climbed through a window of the home of his cousins and shot them both in the head. Jarrell Cunningham, 27, died immediately. Terrell Patterson, 21, survived two gunshot wounds.

“This was a very sad case. Bryan Giles ripped apart an extended family who cared for him and treated him like their own from the time he was five,” said Prosecutor Walsh. “This was a tough case for the jury to consider, particularly when it came to mitigation, and I thank them for their thoughtful consideration.”

The jury recommended Giles be sentenced to life in prison with parole eligibility after 30 years, following a day-long mitigation hearing on March 11.