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On Sunday, July 8, 2012, at approximately 11:15 p.m., a uniformed officer in a marked police vehicle, noticed two men wearing rolled up ski masks on their heads near the intersection of Sky View Drive and Hanrahan Place in Alexandria.

The men fled the area before the officer could make contact with them. The officer requested the assistance of a second uniformed officer. The first officer encountered the two men at Frye Road and Odessa Drive and conducted a subject stop. The officer noticed one of the men had a knife protruding from his waistband and asked him to hand it over. As the man handed the knife over to the officer, the second man ran from the scene. The second officer had just arrived on scene and both officers pursued the man on foot. During the brief foot pursuit, the first officer yelled, "Stop, police!" The man continued to run until he collided with a fence which resulted in him falling backwards and dropping a firearm.

The officers grabbed the man in an attempt to detain him, but he resisted and picked up his gun. The man fired a shot during the struggle and shot himself in the leg. The two officers and the man fell to the ground after the shot was fired and continued to struggle. The man lifted the gun and began to point it at the second officer. The second officer drew his service weapon as the man fired a shot at the officer which just missed the officer's head. The officer then discharged his service weapon, striking the man. Fire and Rescue personnel were immediately requested. Based on the extent of the man's injuries, officers could not render aid. The man was pronounced deceased at the scene from his injuries.

The man's weapon, a .357 caliber, revolver, loaded with four remaining bullets, was recovered at the scene.