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Teen Sentenced to Life in Prison for Killing Two

(Fort Worth, TX) – A Tarrant County jury on Tuesday found Jay Shawn Nixon-Clark, 19, guilty of capital murder for the killing of two people in a 2022 shooting in Fort Worth. He received an automatic sentence of life in prison.

Tarrant County Assistant District Attorneys Bill Vassar and Melinda Hogan represented the State.

On August 28, 2022, Nixon-Clark and other people he knew drove through a neighborhood in northwest Fort Worth.

They parked the car and, for three minutes and 19 seconds, they sat and watched a house on Steel Dust Drive where teenagers and children were playing in the garage with the door up.

Nixon-Clark and another male got out of the car, carrying guns and wearing masks, and ran to the house. They fired more than a dozen shots, ran back to their car, and drove off.

"They riddled that garage with bullets," Hogan told the jury. "They unloaded 17 rounds into the garage where five children are playing."

Jamarrien Monroe, 17, and his cousin, Rayshard Javon Scott, 5, were killed. Other family members, including Monroe's 18-month-old son, were injured.

"When (Nixon-Clark) masked up and grabbed a weapon, he knew what he was doing," Vassar said. "He was 100 percent down to shoot as many people as he could that day."

After Nixon-Clark was sentenced, Jamarrien's mother, Tijuana West, spoke to him in the courtroom.

She said his family and hers shares pain and that August 28, 2022, changed all of their lives forever. She spoke about Jamarrien and Rayshard and said "we can never get back what we lost."

But she told Nixon-Clark he has a family that clearly loves him and "there's a greatness in you that goes way beyond your circumstances."

Anthony Bell-Johnson, 23, also faces a capital murder charge in a separate trial for this crime.

DA Investigator Danny Nutt and Victim Coordinators Imelda Lopez and Laura Medina also worked on this case.

Thanks to the Fort Worth Police Department for their work on this case and for their commitment to keeping our community safe.