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**Man Convicted of Murder and Attempted Murder in Trailer Park Shooting**

Brandon Karr was convicted of second-degree murder and nine counts of attempted first-degree murder Monday in a shooting at an Adams County mobile home park last year.

Karr (DOB 02/24/92) fired behind him out of a vehicle into a crowd as he and a group friends drove away after a confrontation with occupants of one of the residences at the Berkley Village Mobile Home Park at 5400 Sheridan Boulevard on August 16, 2016. His victims were a group of people gathered for a party at a trailer next door. Edgar Loera Munoz, 30, was killed. Sergio Ontiveros-Heredia, 26, and Perla Nevarez, 24, suffered gunshot wounds.

An Adams County District Court jury deliberated about six hours before convicting Karr of one count of second-degree murder heat of passion, nine counts of attempted first-degree murder and two counts of second-degree assault.

“When you empty a gun into a crowd of people less than 10 feet away, you know your conduct is going to kill people,” Chief Deputy District Attorney Patrick Costigan told the jury during closing arguments Friday. “He shot seven times into a crowd of people. He didn’t care where the bullets were going.”

Evidence during the week-long trial showed that Karr and his companions drove to the mobile home park to provoke a fight with occupants of one of the trailers. Rojelio Heredia (DOB 10/21/91), who lived next door and was hosting a party, fired two warning shots into the air after the group began attacking a woman. As Karr’s group returned to their vehicle and drove off, Karr fired backwards out of the moving car, striking his victims.

Heredia responded by firing back at Karr’s vehicle, hitting his cousin, Dustin Karr (DOB 02/05/94), who died of his injuries. Heredia has pleaded guilty to second-degree murder heat of passion and will be sentenced June 26.

Sentencing for Brandon Karr is set for 8:30 a.m. July 7 in Division E of Adams County District Court.

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