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\*\*\*NEWS RELEASE\*\*\*
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**Type of Incident:** Assault with a Deadly Weapon /

Assault on a Peace Officer

Location: 3247 W. Noble (Kmart)

## Name of Business (if applicable):

Suspect: Age: Arrested:

**1.** Kechloian, Jeremy 43 yes

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## **Details:**

On 5-9-18 at approximately 1733 hours, officers were dispatched to 3247 W. Noble regarding an assault with a deadly weapon which had just occurred. While en route, officers were informed a Kmart employee had been stabbed by the suspect who was fleeing the area on foot. Officers arrived on scene and located Jeremy Kechloian in the area. He was taken into custody without incident. The victim was treated on scene and ultimately transported to Kaweah Delta Hospital where he is currently in stable condition. It was discovered that prior to the stabbing, Kechloian was behaving irrationally inside the business. He was contacted by the victim to be escorted out. It was at that time the stabbing occurred. Violent Crimes detectives and Crime Scene technicians responded to the scene to assist and take over the investigation

While the suspect was in custody at Visalia PD headquarters, he assaulted arresting officers resulting in one of them sustaining a minor injury. Kechloian will be booked into the Tulare County Pre Trial Facility for assault with a deadly weapon and assault on a peace officer.



## **UPDATE**:

The Victim in this case 41 year old Jeffrey Allen Campbell Jr. of Visalia passed away this morning as a result of his injuries. Suspect Kechloian will be charged with murder.

Information may have been released identifying the victim as Jeremy Campbell this was incorrect.

Arresting / Investigating Officer: Patrol Supervisor: Sgt. Gerrit De Jong