

Vivian man charged with sister's murder

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A Vivian man is facing murder and arson charges today after shooting his sister and setting their home on fire, said Caddo Sheriff Steve Prator.

Chris McCauley, 45, of 620 Jackson Street, was booked into the Caddo Correctional Center today for the murder of his sister, Carmen, 50.

Authorities were called to their residence around 3:30 a.m. this morning after a family member went to their home and saw smoke but couldn't get anyone to answer the door. Vivian Police Officer Clint Alexander responded and entered the house but was overcome by smoke. Fire District #8 extinguished the fire and found Carmen McCauley deceased in the bedroom. The fire is under investigation by the Louisiana State Fire Marshal.

Sheriff's Sgt. James Lewis said Carmen was found in her bed. An autopsy revealed that she had been shot multiple times.

Chris McCauley was not at the house when Caddo Sheriff's deputies arrived. Sheriff's Deputy Justin McDonnell, who is assigned to the U.S. Marshal's Task Force, found him several hours later walking down East Washington Street near Youree Drive in Shreveport.

Vivian Police said they had not responded to any previous domestic calls between the siblings at the residence. They had been living together in the house for several months while their mother was sick. She recently passed away.

McCauley was booked into CCC for second-degree murder and aggravated arson by Caddo Detective Matt Purgerson, who investigated the case. No bond has been set.