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Kansas Man Sentenced to Life for Shooting at Deputies During Leavenworth County Chase

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — A Kansas City, Kansas, man who fired multiple rounds at law enforcement officers during a pursuit in Leavenworth County has been sentenced to life in prison.

On Friday, June 5, 2026, 33-year-old Andrew Amundsen was sentenced to life in prison for attempted capital murder and 43 months in prison for aggravated assault of a law enforcement officer. The sentences will run consecutively.

Amundsen will not be eligible for parole for 620 months, or approximately 51½ years.

Amundsen was convicted April 29, 2026, after he pleaded no contest to one count of attempted capital murder and one count of aggravated assault of a law enforcement officer.

According to court documents, on Nov. 21, 2025, deputies with the Leavenworth County Sheriff's Office were attempting to locate Amundsen. Deputies located him near Dempsey Road in Leavenworth County and attempted to conduct a traffic stop. The driver accelerated from the scene, and a pursuit was initiated.

During the pursuit, Amundsen reached out of the front passenger window and fired 16 rounds at a deputy.

A second deputy later took over the pursuit. The vehicle entered a residential neighborhood and struck another vehicle containing two occupants, who were not injured.

Following the crash, Amundsen exited his vehicle and fired two additional rounds at another deputy. One bullet struck the deputy's vehicle before Amundsen ran out of ammunition.

Amundsen then fled on foot and hid in the bed of a pickup truck before being captured by law enforcement officers.

County Attorney Todd Thompson said the sentence reflects the seriousness of the defendant's actions and the danger posed to law enforcement officers and the public.

"The defendant fired at law enforcement officers and put innocent people at risk," Thompson said. "Today's sentence reflects the seriousness of his actions – we're thankful that no officers or civilians were seriously hurt."

The case was investigated by the Kansas Bureau of Investigation with assistance from the Leavenworth County Sheriff's Office and the Basehor Police Department.

