

On December 5, 1967, Officer Robert Clifton stopped a vehicle with Texas license plates on a routine investigation. The vehicle was occupied by five Texas youths who had robbed a grocery store in Oklahoma just hours before. The driver, Ronnie Hogue, pulled a gun on Officer Clifton and in the struggle to disarm him, Clifton was shot in the chest. Hogue was then shot by back-up Officer Paul Bowlby. Officer Clifton died at the scene. Hogue lived several months before dying of his wounds.