Teen admits murdering man in S. Lake Tahoe

One of the men accused of murdering a man in South Lake Tahoe earlier this could be going to prison for life.

Tristan Batten, 18, of Vallejo on Nov. 22 pleaded guilty to murder, involuntary manslaughter, second degree robbery and second degree robbery where a weapon was present. He will be sentenced next year. Details of the plea agreement have not been released.



Tristan Batten

Batten is one of seven people arrested in Jan. 30 murder of Dennis Wright, 40. He was gunned down in the parking lot of the Beverly Lodge in South Lake Tahoe during a drug deal turned robbery-murder.

Other suspects in this case include:

- · Tevarez Lopez, 33 charged with murder
- Domenic Randolph, 22 charged with murder
- · Andrew Adams, 25 charged with murder
- · Harvest Davidson, 20 charged with murder
- Vanessa Muzio, 18 charged with accessory to murder
- Dion Jermaine Vaccaro, 24 charged with murder.

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