Smoke-shop armed robbery suspect sought after KS escape

(KAIR)--A midweek armed robbery at a Missouri smokeshop, located just east of Atchison, Kansas. is under investigation by the Buchanan County Missouri Sheriff's Office, and public information is wanted to help lead to the arrest of the suspect.

The Sheriff's Office, in a release, has identified the man they are seeking as a black male, aged 30 to 40, wearing a white hat, blue bandana style face covering, a maroon shirt, grey sweatpants, grey shoes, and black and blue gloves.

He used, the release says, "a black colored handgun to demand money from the cashier" working at the Smoker's Heaven store, located in Winthrop, MO, at 13565W. 59 Hwy.

Following the Wednesday evening robbery, the suspect fled from the scene, with the help of an as yet unidentified getaway driver, crossing the Amelia Earhart Memorial Bridge, from Missouri into Kansas, where they escaped into the early evening. The pair was traveling in a light colored, unknown make 4-door sedan, as they fled from the scene of the 7:30 robbery.

If anyone has any information on the robbery, vehicle, or suspects they are asked to contact the Buchanan County Sheriff's Office Investigations Division at 816-236-8845 or 816-238-TIPS.

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