

Kyles, Rev. Samuel

Lorraine

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Kyles and others were responsible for enlisting support of Dr. Martin Luther King for sanitation workers' strike. King arrived in Memphis on Wed. morning, 4/3/68, and checked into room 306, Lorraine Motel, with Ralph Abernathy. Motel and room number were identified in several news media reports.

Kyles was in room 306 with King and Abernathy while they freshened up for dinner about 5:55 pm King left room and stood, talking with associates, on balcony, Kyles left room, spoke to King, walked past King heard shot., ran back to King and saw bullet wound. Abernathy came out of room. Kyles put bedspread over King's body. Abernathy tried to speak to King. Police

arrived; ambulance arrived.

Some people pointed to empty land and bushes, indicating shot might have come from west to east.

Identification of persons who were supposed to come to his home for dinner.

Laue, James H.

Lorraine

Extradition
Affidavit

(Community Relations Service)

Lived in Room 308 of Lorraine 4/4/68.
Heard shot from room about 6:05 pm.
Went out to balcony; saw King bleeding on balcony.