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Lewis Hawkins, the husband of Denise Hawkins, was shot and killed last night at the home of Mrs. Hawkins' father, police said.

Clifford Roach, Mrs. Hawkins' father, was charged with second degree murder early this morning in connection with the shooting, which police said followed an argument.

Hawkins, 23, of 103 Joseph Ave. was shot with a .22 caliber rifle while several persons were at the Roach residence at 258 Post Ave., police said.

Police said they found Hawkins' body face up on the front porch of the home about 8:45 p.m. A rifle was confiscated by police.

After Mrs. Hawkins' death, the couple's 18-month-old son, Lewis Jr., had been staying with the Roaches.

Denise Hawkins, 18, of 103 Joseph Ave. was shot and killed by a policeman Nov. 11 in an incident that aroused community controversy.

Police said Mrs. Hawkins came at officer Michael Leach with a knife after police responded to a family trouble call at the apartment of Mrs. Hawkins' sister at 81 Thurston Road.

A Monroe County grand jury later cleared Leach of any wrong doing.

Mrs. Hawkins's sister, Miranda Roach, 20, called police after Mrs. Hawkins and her husband began arguing and Mrs. Hawkins grabbed a 13-inch knife.

When the police arrived, Mrs. Hawkins confronted them alone in a hallway outside the apartment. After a warning to drop the knife, police said, Mrs. Hawkins was shot once in the chest and died instantly.