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Georgetown Woman Accidentally Killed

A Georgetown woman was killed Sunday in her home when she was struck by a 22 caliber rifle bullet accidentally discharged by her son.

Mrs. Virginia Sacra Bruin, 54 who lives on Penna Street, died Sunday after being shot by her son Russell Bruin, 18, of the same address.

Georgetown Police Chief Donald VanArsdall, one of the investigating officers, said this is what happened:

About 11:30 Sunday morning Russell Bruin was showing a recently purchased rifle to Joe Daugherty. They were standing in the living room, and Mrs. Bruin was standing in the bedroom. As Bruin passed the rifle to Daugherty for a closer inspection, the weapon discharged, striking Mrs. Bruin in the head.

The boys said that they started to carry her to the car and drive her to the hospital, but then decided to call an ambulance. Mrs. Bruin died before the ambulance arrived.

In addition to her son, survivors include her husband, Everett Bruin three other sons, Howard, Charles and Stanley Bruin, all of Georgetown; three daughters, Mrs. William Caudill, Mrs. Lonnie Gorham and Mrs. Willis Cook, all of Scott County, six brothers, Howard Sacra Norwood, Ohio; Willis Sacra, Dayton, Ohio; Tinsley and Gresham Sacra, both of Lexington; Herbert Sacra, Georgetown, and Roscoe Sacra of Florida; two sisters, Mrs. Dudley Jones and Mrs. Robert Drake, both of Lexington.

Funeral services were conducted Tuesday at the Tucker Funeral Home by Dr. Dan C. Moore. Burial was in Georgetown Cemetery.

Pallbearers: Jimmy Jones, Jimmy Gravés, Bobby & Tommy G. Bruin, Herbert Sacra Jr., and Teddy Mitchell.