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Colin Powell

Powell Legacy Mixed

African Americans reflect on leader who made history

(AP) -- As an American leader, Colin Powell's credentials were impeccable: He was chairman of the Joint Chiefs and secretary of state. But his legacy as the first Black person in those roles is murkier, with some African Americans saying that his voice on their behalf could have been louder.

Powell, who died Monday of COVID-19 complications, spent 35 years in the Army and rose to political prominence under Republican presidents Ronald Reagan and George W. Bush. His stature fueled persistent speculation that he would one day run for president as a member of the GOP.

Through it all, Powell never seemed entirely comfortable talking about race, said Kevin Powell, a New York-based writer and rights activist who is not related to Colin Powell.

Colin Powell later became disenchanted with the Republican Party and endorsed Democrats for president, starting with Barack Obama. Powell also called then-President Donald Trump a national disgrace and said he no longer considered himself a Republican following the Jan. 6 storming of the Capitol.

"By the time the Bush years were

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A street littered with bullets is a familiar scene for Portland Police investigating a shooting last month on Northeast 82nd Avenue that left a juvenile and adult suffering from gunshot wounds.

A Grim Toll of Shootings, Deaths

Pandemic has made things worse

BY BEVERLY CORBELL
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With 69 violent deaths as of Oct. 10, Portland is just one count short of breaking its record of 70 violent deaths back in 1987. The grim statistics show gun violence accounts for 75 percent of the city's homicides, and more than half of those killed were Black, Latino or Asian, with the greatest toll in the Black community, by far.

Community leaders are grappling with the problem, with several ideas being floated. The success of the city's new un-

armed Street Response team in the Lents neighborhood of southeast Portland has encouraged its expansion, but more police officers are also being called for.

Hiag Brown, co-director of community outreach with the Portland Opportunities Industrialization Center, or POIC, a school serving the Black community, has advocated for more healthy activities for young people to keep them out of gangs.

Tony Hopson Sr., president and CEO

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Buried Truth Revealed

Sports executive killed a man when he was at 16

BY MICHAEL LEIGHTON
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Former Trail Blazers and current Nike executive Larry Miller shook the sports world last week when he allowed a secret from his past to become public, revealing that he shot and killed a man when he was just 16.

In an interview with Sports Illus-



Larry Miller

trated, the 72-year-old Miller said he buried the truth about the killing for decades, keeping the murder secret from his employers, closest business associates, friends and even his children.

Now he wants to tell the entire story so he can help others, especially at-risk youth and people in prison.

According to the article, published in advance of a book Miller wrote with his oldest daughter Laila Lacy, and scheduled for release early next year, Miller was part of a gang looking for revenge on the streets of Philadelphia when he fired a .38-caliber gun into the chest of another teenager, an act of retribution after a younger friend had been stabbed and killed during a fight with another gang.

He told the magazine he has been haunted by the killing, with the 50 -

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