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(Neb)-Formal Charges Filed In Fatal Alliance Stabbing

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ALLIANCE - The Alliance man arrested following a fatal stabbing in Alliance on June 19 has been formally charged with murder. 66-year old George W Smith is also charged with felony use of a deadly weapon.

Smith, who is being held in the Scotts Bluff County Detention Center, is scheduled to make his initial appearance in Box Butte County Court on Wednesday morning.

Assistant Attorney General Doug Warner has been named a Special Assistant County Attorney to help prosecute the case.

Smith is accused of stabbing 42-year old Stephen Oliver in the chest during an argument that escalated in the yard of an Alliance home about 7:30 at night. Oliver died later at Box Butte General Hospital.