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2 charged in 1985 slaying at Oakland Co. motel

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Two men have been charged in a 1985 slaying at an Oakland County motel.

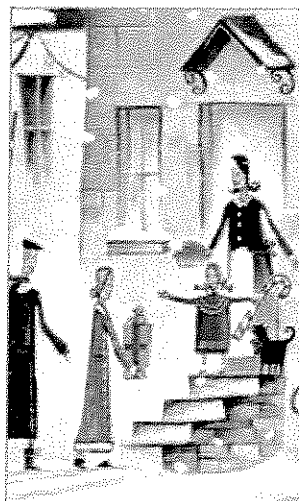
Forty-nine-year-old Kenneth Bernard Holyfield of Oak Park and 42-year-old Walter Wimb Hardeman of Flint were arraigned Friday on one count each of felony murder.

The Oakland County Sheriff's Office says Hardeman shot Ramniklal Doshi on Aug. 25, 1985, during a robbery at the Northlander Motel in Royal Oak Township, just north of Detroit. Hardeman's uncle, Holyfield, was a security guard at the motel.

Charges against Hardeman were dropped in 1987 when Holyfield refused to testify. Police say recent DNA testing shows Hardeman was at the scene.

Holyfield and Hardeman were being held on \$1 million bond pending a Nov. 13 preliminary hearing. Telephone listings for the men could not be located Friday night.

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