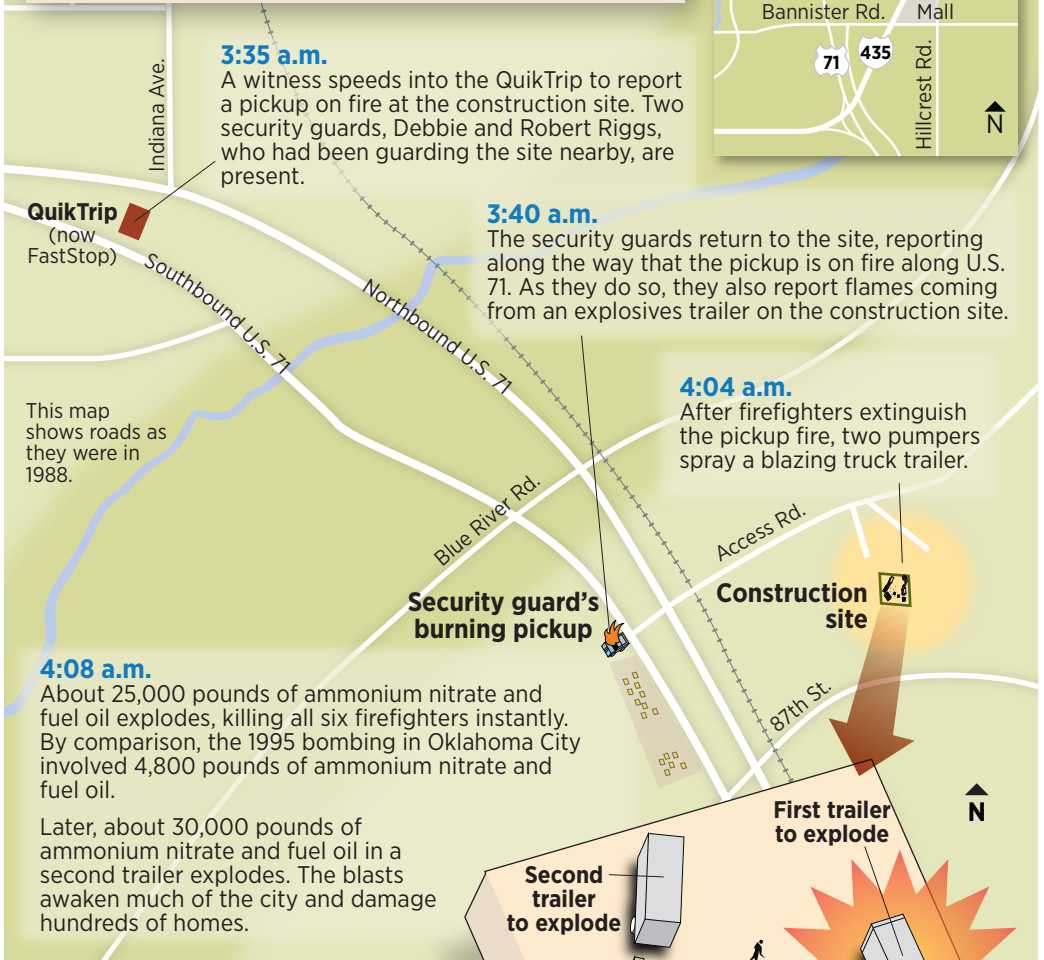


DEADLY BLAST STILL FELT

NEW INFORMATION

Ed Massey, who often cut firewood at the construction site, says he saw someone set the fires that caused the explosion that killed six Kansas City firefighters on Nov. 29, 1988. Massey says it was not the five people convicted of the crime.



AFTER THE BLAST

11 a.m. Nov. 29, 1988

Police pull over woodcutter Ed Massey and his girlfriend after another woodcutter, Shawn Roma, tells them Massey caused the explosion. Massey is searched, polygraphed and released.

Sept. 25, 1989

Bryan Sheppard is indicted by a Jackson County grand jury after a jailhouse informant comes forward to say Sheppard admitted involvement in the crime. Sheppard is later released when it is shown the informant was lying.

June 12, 1996

Frank, Skip and Bryan Sheppard, Richard Brown and Darlene Edwards are indicted by a federal grand jury and charged under federal arson statutes.

Jan. 21, 1997

The trial begins.

Feb. 26, 1997

The defendants are convicted.

July 2, 1997

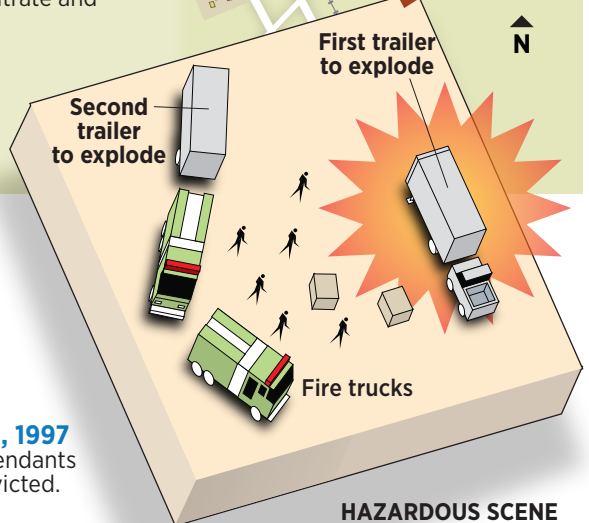
All are sentenced to life in prison with no possibility of parole.

Oct. 30, 1998

The U.S. Court of Appeals upholds their convictions. Other appeals are later turned down.

Jan. 17, 2007

Ed Massey tells ATF agents much of the story he had told *The Star* a day earlier.



HAZARDOUS SCENE

Explosives were at the site to help blast rock in the area. Rock was being used to build U.S. 71.

Feb. 7, 2007

"Out of an abundance of caution," Assistant U.S. Attorney Paul S. Becker distributes the interview with Massey to seven defense attorneys who have been involved in the case.