KEN PAXTON
ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	18-419-C	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	5/24/2018 10:05 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Lamar County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	125 Brown Ave
Agency City:	Paris	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75460		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Scott
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Cass		
Reporter Name:	Jeff Springer	Reporter Email:	chiefdeputyspringer@co.lamar.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Kenneth

Middle Name: Robert

Last Name: Nixon

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/31/1961 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 56

Date/Time of Custody (arrest, incarceration) (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/25/2018 5:58 PM

Date/Time of Death (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Death Date and Time: 4/25/2018 5:58 PM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: Yes, results are available

What was the manner of death? (select only one)

Manner of Death: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Suicide

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

Who caused the death?:	Decedent

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of weapon that caused death?:	Rifle/shotgun

Was the cause of death the result of a pre-existing medical condition or did the decedent develop the condition after admission?

Pre existing medical condition?:	Not Applicable; cause of death was accidental injury, intoxication, suicide or homicide

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

Means of Death:	Firearm

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	12000 blk FM 905	City:	Pattonville
County:	Lamar	Zip:	75468

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody: Police Custody (pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

N/A

What was the time and date of the deceased's entry into the law enforcement facility where the death occurred (mm/dd/yyyy hh:mm AM/PM):

Entry Date Time:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☑

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Scene of incident

General Information

Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

Other Agencies Respond?: Yes

What were the most serious offense(s) with which the deceased was (or would have been) charged with at the time of death?

Offense 1:

No charges at the time

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Not filed at time of death

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Suspicious Person/Vehicle

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent display or use a weapon?

Decedent display/use of weapons: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Discharged firearm

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Attempt to Injure Others?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or

drugs):	No	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	No	Exhibit any medical problems?:	No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	No	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	No
Attempt gain possession officer's weapon:	No		

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

Under Restraint:	No

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

On 04/25/2018 Lamar County Sheriffs Deputies responded to a call of a suspicious person at 13483 FM 905 Pattonville TX. The caller reported that a white male drove into her driveway and parked. He got out of his vehicle and looked around her property, then walked to her door and knocked. She answered the door and noticed the man was wearing gloves. The man told her he just wanted to let her know that he was turning around in her driveway. The caller thought this was suspicious and as the man drove away in a black Lexus the caller reported this to Lamar County Sheriffs Office. A Lamar County Deputy responded to the area and spotted the black Lexus traveling in the 12000 BLK of FM 905. When the Deputy got close to the vehicle the Deputy activated his emergency lights to affect a traffic stop on the vehicle. The vehicle stopped and the Deputy approached the vehicle from the passenger side of the vehicle. As the Deputy approached the vehicle he observed it to be occupied by the Decedent. The Deputy saw a shotgun lying across the Decedent's lap. The Deputy backed up and took cover behind his patrol vehicle and called for back-up. Once other Officers arrived on location, verbal commands were given to the Decedent but he did not respond. Officers tactically approached the vehicle and observed that the Decedent had shot himself with the shotgun and was deceased. Justice
of the Peace was summoned and an inquest was held. Autopsy was ordered for the Decedent. Preliminary Autopsy results report this to be a suicide. After review of the Deputies in-car video of the traffic stop it was confirmed that the Decedent committed Suicide prior to being contacted by Deputies.