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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	19-924-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	5/26/2020 3:33 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Henderson County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	206-A N. Murchison
Agency City:	Athens	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75751		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Botie
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Hillhouse		
Reporter Name:	David Faught	Reporter Email:	dfaught@henderson-county.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Gary

Middle Name: Bruce

Last Name: Huff

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 10/8/1942 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 76

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/26/2019 6:00 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/2/2019 12:40 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: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gary Huff had a hemorrhagic cerebral infarct with thrombosis of the right middle cerebral artery and pulmonary thromboemboll. Hypertensive,atherosclerotic, and valvular cardiovascular disease, obesity, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease and diabetes mellitus contributed to his death.

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

Medical Treatment:	Yes

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

Who caused the death?:	Not applicable

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?:	Not Applicable

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?:	Pre-existing medical condition

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

Means of Death:	Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	206 A North Murchison	City:	Athens
County:	Henderson	Zip:	75751

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

Location Category:	Law Enforcement Facility

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

Type of Custody:	County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:
Jail - single cell

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:	8/27/2019 8:30 AM

Where did the death occur?

Death Location:	Medical facility

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:

Aggravated Assault with Deadly Weapon

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

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

Type of Offense: Violent Crime Against Persons

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: No

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?:	Yes	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Yes

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

Barricade self or initiate standoff?:	No	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:

Gary Huff was received at the Henderson County Detention Center on 8/27/2019. Huff had attempted suicide on this date and shot his son in the process. Huff was booked in and denied any suicide attempts. Huff was placed on a watch in a single cell inside the facility. Detention officer while making rounds and conducting checks found Huff to be sitting at his desk at 2130 hrs on 9/1/2019. Detention Officer found Huff unresponsive on his cell floor at 2140 hrs on 9/1/2019. Detention Officer called for assistance and CPR was performed by detention staff and medical professionals. Gary Huff was transported to UT Health-Athens emergency room and was later transferred to UT Health-Tyler. Investigators from the Henderson County District Attorneys office as well as Texas Ranger Chris Baggett responded to the facility to conduct an investigation. I was informed that Gary Huff was deceased on 9/2/2019 at 12:40 PM. Gary Huff had the following medical issues upon entry into the facility. Huff declared he had Hypertension, COPD, Diabetic, Bladder Cancer, and Liver problems. An autopsy was performed to determine the cause of death and the results are natural causes.