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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-1796-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	3/11/2021 12:40 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Dallas County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	133 N. Riverfront Blvd.
Agency City:	Dallas	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	75207		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Marian
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Brown		
Reporter Name:	TERESA HERNANDEZ	Reporter Email:	tahernandez@dallascounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Robert

Middle Name:

Last Name: Bryant

Suffix: Jr

Date of Birth: 10/5/1980

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

Age At Time Of Death: 40

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/10/2020 3:14 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/9/2021 11:49 AM

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:

Hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease.

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

Medical Treatment:	Unknown

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?:	Could not be determined

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:	111 W. Commerce Street	City:	Dallas
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75207

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:

Hospital/Infirmary

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:	Medical facility

General Information

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

Other Agencies Respond?: No

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:

TDC Pardon & Parole, Warrant 05806449

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

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): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Yes

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?:	Unknown
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 Thursday, December 10, 2020, at approximately 3:14 p.m., Decedent Robert Bryant Jr (B/M 10-05-1980, 40 yoa) was booked into the Dallas County Jail for outstanding TDC Pardon & Parole Warrant, #05806449. The Decedent was classified as Behavior Observation, Suicidal and Medical.
On Saturday, January 9, 2021 at approximately 10:19 a.m., Dallas County Sheriff's Detention Service Officers F. Ruiz #5601 and D. Amin #5880 were conduction rounds (inmate checks) inside the Dallas County Gill Hernandez Medical Facility, Tank N0104, when they observed the Decedent unresponsive. The Decedent was housed in a single cell. Medical staff responded to the officers' call and administered medical aid. The Decedent was subsequently transported by Acadian Ambulance Service to Dallas County Parkland Memorial Hospital for medical treatment. The Decedent was pronounced deceased at 11:49 a.m., on January 9, 2021, by Dr. D. Besse.
The Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office was notified, case #M.E. 21-00765.
Dallas County Sheriff's Department Service #21-001612.

FINDINGS: 1. Hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease:
a. Coronary artery atherosclerosis with unifocal stenosis.
b. Cardiac hypertrophy (420 grams).
c. History of hypertension.
d. Arteriolar sclerosis.
2. Clinical history of diabetes mellitus.
3. Clinical history of schizophrenia.
4. History of drug use (PCP and cocaine).
5. History the decedent was an inmate in the jail who was alone in his cell and was found unresponsive.

CONCLUSIONS:
It is my opinion that Robert Bryant, Jr., a 40-year-old man, died as a result of hypertensive and atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease. It is my further opinion that diabetes mellitus contributed to the death.

MANNER OF DEATH: Natural

Jeffrey J. Barnard, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Examiner
03/01/2021