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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	21-1825-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	8/4/2026 8:55 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Austin County Sheriff's Office	Agency Address:	417 N. Chesley St..
Agency City:	Bellville	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77418		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Jack
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Brandes		
Reporter Name:	Donald Darracq	Reporter Email:	donaldd@austincountyso.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Roy

Middle Name: Lee

Last Name: Cobb

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/6/1967 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 54

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/28/2021 11:38 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/28/2021 11:30 PM

Manner / Cause of Death

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

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: No, evaluation not planned

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

Manner of Death: Homicide (includes Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gun Shot

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

Medical Treatment:	No

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

Who caused the death?:	Law enforcement/correctional personnel

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?:	Handgun

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:	312 Pecan Grove Road	City:	San Felipe
County:	Austin	Zip:	77474

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use of Force

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:

Agg. Assault

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:	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:	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?:	Yes (select all that apply)

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others:	Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel

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?:	Unknown
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Unknown	Exhibit any medical problems?:	Unknown

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?:	N/A
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Unknown	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 Tuesday, December 28, 2021, law enforcement officers responded to a residence following a report of a domestic disturbance. Upon arrival, officers were informed that the subject had threatened other occupants of the residence with a handgun. Officers were also advised that the subject was intoxicated and had threatened to kill individuals who remained inside the home. These statements were provided by witnesses and were not personally observed by responding officers.

An Austin County Precinct Constable arrived on scene and advised responding officers that the subject had a

history of violence, urging them to exercise extreme caution.

Officers approached the residence, safely evacuated two occupants, and escorted them to a secure location. Shortly thereafter, the subject confronted officers while armed with a handgun, pointing the weapon directly at them. An exchange of gunfire ensued between the subject and responding officers. Following the exchange, the subject retreated inside the residence.

Because the subject's condition and location inside the home were unknown, the Austin County Special Response Team (SRT) was activated. Additional law enforcement agencies responded to assist in establishing and maintaining a secure perimeter around the residence. Austin County EMS also responded and staged nearby.

SRT negotiators made repeated attempts to establish communication with the subject, but those efforts were unsuccessful. An unmanned robotic platform equipped with cameras was subsequently deployed into the residence. The robot located a white male matching the subject's description lying face up on the floor, with a handgun observed next to his head.

SRT personnel then made entry into the residence, secured the scene, and allowed EMS personnel to enter. Medics determined that the subject was deceased.

Following standard protocol for an officer-involved shooting, the scene was turned over to the Texas Rangers, who assumed responsibility for the investigation.