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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	22-1372-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	10/11/2022 8:52 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Port Neches Police Dept.	Agency Address:	1201 Merriman Street
Agency City:	Port Neches	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	77651		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Paul
Director Middle Name:	J		
Director Last Name:	Lemoine		
Reporter Name:	Paul Lemoine	Reporter Email:	plemoine@ci.port-neches.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Ronald

Middle Name: Dunigan

Last Name: Burdine

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/12/1965 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: 10/5/2022 8:21 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/5/2022 8:21 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: Homicide (includes Justifiable

Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Perforating gunshot wound to the chest. Fragmentation of right lung and bilateral hemothoraces.

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?: 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:	350 Twin City Hwy #184	City:	Port Neches
County:	Jefferson	Zip:	77651

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:

Capitol Murder

Offense 2:

Attempted Capitol murder of a peace officer

Offense 3:

Aggravated assault with a deadly weapon

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: Displayed firearm without discharge; 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; Killed civilian(s) or other inmate(s); Injured civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?:	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?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
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 October 5th, 2022 at 8:07pm officers were dispatched to 350 Twin City Hwy #184 in reference to "shots fired" and a woman screaming. The first officer arrived on the scene and observed a male victim in the grass suffering from a gunshot wound. The initial officer exited his patrol vehicle to render aid to the victim at which time he heard a gunshot coming from a travel trailer near him. The officer believed that he had been shot at and subsequently took cover and when backup officers arrived they retrieved a ballistic shield and attempted to evacuate the injured male victim. A third officer took a position of cover, near the trailer, with a patrol rifle while the other two officers attempted to evacuate the injured victim. On the way back to a safe position with the injured victim, the suspect emerged at the doorway of a travel trailer with a handgun and fired one shot at the officers and the officer covering the officers with the patrol rifle fired one round at the suspect, striking and killing him.