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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

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Report Date:	3/14/2022 3:17 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: Alfonzo

Middle Name: Nathaniel

Last Name: Reese

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 12/16/1945

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African American

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: 1/5/2022 1:48 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/17/2022 4:38 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:

Metastatic non-small cell carcinoma of the lung.

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:	5200 Harry Hines Blvd.	City:	Dallas
County:	Dallas	Zip:	75235

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Medical 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:

Parole Violation - Burglary of a Building Enha.

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: Crime Against Property

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?: Unknown

Exhibit any mental health

problems?:	Unknown	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?:	Unknown	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:	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:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Leg Shackles

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

On Thursday, February 10, 2022, at approximately 4:00 p.m., Parkland Jail Health - Registered Nurse T. Mboha determined that Dallas County Inmate, Alfonzo Nathaniel Reese B/M 12-16-1945 (Decedent), needed to be transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital (PMH) for medical evaluation/treatment. Reese was transported by Acadian Ambulance - Unit #961 and admitted at PMH.
On Thursday February 17, 2022, at approximately 4:30 a.m., Parkland Memorial Hospital Staff Member - Registered Nurse (RN) Josephine, Kamau completed vital signs on Reese in Parkland Memorial Hospital room 5-625, and stated he was unresponsive, RN Josephine called for Medical Doctor (MD) Renuka Tripu. Reese was a Do-Not-Resuscitate patient. At approximately 4:35 a.m., MD Tripu arrived to room 5-625 and pronounced Reese as Deceased at approximately 4:38 a.m.
At approximately 4:51 a.m., Detective C. Castaneda-Medina #1156 with the Dallas County Sheriff - Criminal Investigation Section confirmed the information provided with Detention Service Supervisor (DSS) M. Shaw #5484. At approximately 5:37 a.m., Det. Castaneda-Medina attempted to contact the Dallas County Medical Examiner's Office and left a voicemail.

At approximately 6:26 a.m., Det. Castaneda-Medina contacted the Medical Examiner's Office and spoke with Medicolegal Death Investigation K. Anderson (call #937), Anderson stated that she had not received notification from Parkland Hospital and was unaware if notification had been made.
At approximately 7:22 a.m., Medicolegal Death Investigator K. Anderson stated she spoke with Parkland Medical Staff and was informed that Reese was admitted to the hospital on February 10, 2022 for "altered mental status" since he was not taking his current medication for Cancer. She also mentioned that Reese was being treated for tobacco abuse, altered mental status, and his lung cancer. Medicolegal Death Investigation Anderson also stated that Reese was a Do-Not-Resuscitate patient and his body was going to be transported to the Dallas County Medical Examiners for an External Examination.

The results of the examination are currently pending.
Dallas County Sheriff's - Service Number #22-008149
Dallas County Medical Examiner IFS #22-3631.

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Office of the Medical Examiner
External Examination Report

FINDINGS:
I. Metastatic non-small carcinoma of the lung, per medical record review:
A. Large right upper lobe lung mass involving the adjacent middle and lower lobes with extension into the mediastinum.
B. Metastatic spread to the brain and liver.
II. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, emphysema, per medical record review.
A. History of chronic cigarette smoking.
III. History that the decedent was an inmate who was admitted to the hospital and was found unresponsive in bed.

CONCLUSIONS:
Based on the history, external examination findings, and medical record review, it is my opinion that Alfonzo Nathaniel Reese, a 76-year-old male, died as a result of metastatic non-small cell carcinoma of the lung. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease contributed to the death.

MANNER OF DEATH: Natural

Stephen M. Lenfest, M.D.
Medical Examiner
03-08-2022