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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-1084-CJ	Version Type:	AMENDED
Report Date:	1/7/2026 1:33 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Kerr County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	400 Clearwater Paseo, Suite 102
Agency City:	Kerrville	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78028		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Larry
Director Middle Name:	L		
Director Last Name:	Leitha		
Reporter Name:	Clint Massingill	Reporter Email:	clint.massingill@so.kerrcountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Michael

Middle Name: Aaron

Last Name: Trumbull

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/24/2001 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 24

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 12/5/2025 1:54 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 12/23/2025 3:41 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Complications of asphyxia by hanging

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?: Decedent

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?: 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: Hanging, strangulation

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address:	400 Clearwater Paseo	City:	Kerrville
County:	Kerr	Zip:	78028

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:	12/5/2025 1:54 PM

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:

VOP/MAN DEL CS PG 2 OR 2-A>=400G

Offense 2:

VOP/MAN DEL CS PG 2 OR 2-A>=4G<400G

Offense 3:

VOP/POSSESSION MARIJUANA >5LBS<=50LBS
VOP/DELIVER MARIJUANA >1/4 OZ<=5LBS

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: Alcohol / drug offense

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?:	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?:	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:

On December 5, 2025, 24 year old Michael Trumbull was arrested and booked into the Kerr County Jail for violations of his probation for drug charges. On December 14, 2025 Inmate Trumbull was moved to a single cell due to a violation of facility rules for tattooing.

On December 15, 2025 while in a single cell Inmate Trumbull was found by jail staff hanging in the cell. Inmate Trumbull was cut down and life saving measures were started by jail staff while Kerrville EMS was summoned to the jail. Following the arrival of Kerrville EMS, Inmate Trumbull was transported to Peterson Regional Medical Center. On December 16, 2025 Inmate Trumbull was flown to a San Antonio area hospital for treatment. On December 17, 2025 the local District Attorney's Office dismissed all of the charges against Inmate Trumbull. On December 23, 2025 Michael Trumbull was pronounced deceased while still in the hospital in San Antonio, Texas.

The Bexar County Medical Examiners Office has ruled Michael Trumbull died as a result of complication of asphyxia by hanging and it was determined his manner of death was suicide.

This custodial death investigation is being led by the Texas Department of Public Safety-Texas Rangers Division.