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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-87-UF	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	1/29/2025 2:19 PM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Travis County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	5555 Airport Blvd.
Agency City:	Austin	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78751		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Sally
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Hernandez		
Reporter Name:	Russell Marburger	Reporter Email:	russell.marburger@traviscountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Weldon

Middle Name: Leo

Last Name: Slaton

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 9/1/1931 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 93

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 1/28/2025 4:25 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 1/28/2025 5:12 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: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending

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

Medical Treatment:	Not Applicable

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:	14267 FM 2769	City:	Leander
County:	Travis	Zip:	78641

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:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing arrest

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:
Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon	
	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:	Displayed firearm without discharge

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; Attempted to injure 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):	No	Make suicidal statements?:	No
Exhibit any mental health problems?:	Yes	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?:	Yes	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	Yes	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Yes	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 January 28, 2025, TCSO dispatch received a 911 call from a family member stating that his elderly father was holding his elderly mother at gunpoint in the living basement of their residence. Upon arrival, a TCSO deputy, operating from a protected vantage point, visually confirmed an elderly male was pointing a handgun at an elderly female's head. The deputy requested the man remove the handgun from his possession to which he refused.

During communication with the elderly male, the elderly female was heard pleading and requesting that the elderly male not shoot her, which prompted the deputy to intervene. Utilizing a ballistic shield, the deputy advanced down the stairs and into view of the elderly male. The deputy verbally ordered the elderly male to drop his weapon. Instead of complying with the verbal command, the man raised his weapon towards the

deputy. The deputy discharged his handgun several times striking the man. The elderly female was immediately removed from the area as deputies began to render lifesaving efforts. Those efforts were ultimately unsuccessful, and the elderly male was pronounced deceased.