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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	26-587-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	8/3/2026 2:07 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:	Youashavion Williams	Reporter Email:	youashavion.williams@dallascounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Bryan

Middle Name: Wesly

Last Name: Mathis

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/28/1979 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 47

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 8/28/2025 4:25 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/28/2026 10:15 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 pending

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

Pending autopsy

Manner of Death: results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending Autopsy Results

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:

Hospital

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: 8/28/2025 4:25 AM

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:

Burglary of Building

Offense 2:

Resist Arrest Search or Transport

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Filed

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?:	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:	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 August 29, 2025, at approximately 4:25 a.m., Bryan Wesly Mathis W/M 07/28/1979 (Decedent) was booked into the Dallas County Jail Lew Sterrett Justice Center located by 111 W. Commerce St. Dallas, Dallas Count, TX 75207 by the City of Dallas Police Department on charges of Burglary of Building on warrant # F2558258 and Resist Arrest Search or Transport on warrant # M2558313D.
On July 28, 2026, at approximately 8:55p.m., while escorting the Parkland Jail Medical Staff, who was passing out medication in the West Tower tank 09P12 "B" Cell, detention service officer observed the Decedent lying on the floor by this bunk. Several attempts to knock on the window of the cell were made to get his attention, but to no avail. The Decedent was deemed unresponsive.
At 9:01 p.m., Parkland Jail Medical Staff and jail detention staff entered the Decedent's cell to attempt to obtain a response from inmate Mathis. All attempts were unsuccessful. At 9:04p.m., a medical emergency call was made via radio for detention supervisor and additional Parkland Jail Medical staff. Upon arrival, detention supervisory staff contacted Dallas County Sheriff Office Communication Section to request Dallas Fire and Rescue (DFR) to the location. At approximately 9:19 p.m., DFR unit #218 arrived at the housing location 9p12 and provided life saving measures for Mathis. At approximately 9:31p.m., Acadian medical arrived.
At 9:35p.m., DFR transported Mathis to Parkland Memorial Hospital (PMH) and escorted by detention service personnel. At 9:56p.m., DFR arrived at PMH in room L6. PMH Dr. Calib Graham, pronounced Bryan Wesly Mathis deceased at 10:15p.m.
An autopsy was conducted; results are pending.