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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	26-739-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	9/21/2026 9:27 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Randall County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	9100 S. Georgia St.
Agency City:	Amarillo	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79118		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Christopher
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Forbis		
Reporter Name:	Matt Stockstill	Reporter Email:	mstockstill@rc-sheriff.com

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Shaylee

Middle Name: Rene

Last Name: Rachels

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/11/1997 Sex: Female

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 28

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/28/2026 12:02 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 8/7/2026 8:11 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Pending autopsy results

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Pending Autopsy

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?: 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: Unknown

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 1501 Coulter St

City: Amarillo

County: Potter

Zip: 79106

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:

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: 8/7/2026 8:00 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:

Robbery

Offense 2:

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Convicted

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: 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): Yes

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

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

Resist being handcuffed or

standoff?:	No	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 August 7, 2026, at approximately 6:48 a.m., Randall County Jail staff found inmate Shaylee Rachels (DOB: 11/11/1997) unresponsive in her cell.
Jail staff immediately initiated CPR and notified Emergency Medical Services (EMS). EMS responded and transported Rachels to Northwest Texas Hospital, where she was later pronounced deceased at approximately 8:11 a.m.
Texas Ranger Scott Swick was notified and is the investigating authority for the death. An autopsy has been ordered and is scheduled to be conducted in Lubbock, Texas, on Monday, August 10, 2026, at 9:30 a.m.