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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	26-779-CJ	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	10/2/2026 11:35 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: William

Middle Name: Joe

Last Name: Ocanas

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/6/1967 Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 59

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 9/1/2026 3:18 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/10/2026 10:51 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)

Manner of Death: Natural

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:	Yes

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?:	Pre-existing medical condition

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: 1501 S Coulter
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:

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:

US Marshal's Federal Hold

Offense 2:

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: 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?: No

Exhibit any mental health problems?: No

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?:	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:

Ocanas, Williams Joe, W/M, DOB 06/06/1967, was transferred from the Potter County Detention Center and booked into the Randall County Jail on September 1, 2026, on a federal charge.

On September 10, 2026, at approximately 8:45 a.m., Inmate Ocanas was transported to Northwest Texas Hospital (NWTH) by Randall County Jail staff in a Randall County transportation van. He was transported to NWTH due to concerns regarding sores on his feet, chronic pain, and low blood pressure. Inmate Ocanas was documented to have several medical conditions, including diabetes and high blood pressure.

Medical staff at NWTH treated Ocanas throughout the day. At approximately 6:58 p.m., Randall County Jail Administrative staff was notified that Ocanas had become unresponsive and that medical personnel at NWTH had initiated CPR. Medical personnel continued resuscitation efforts until approximately 10:51 p.m., at which time Ocanas was pronounced deceased.

Texas Ranger Swick was notified, and an in-custody death investigation has been initiated.