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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

PA Number:	PA16313C	Report Date:	7/19/2016 9:34 AM
Status:	Submitted		

Agency/Facility Information

Department ID:	446	Department Type:	SHERIFF
Agency Name:	Kaufman County Sheriff\'s Dept.	Agency Number:	TX1290000
Agency Phone:	9729324337	Agency Address:	P. O. Drawer 849
Agency City:	Kaufman	Agency County:	Kaufman
Agency State:	TX	Agency Zip:	75142

Director Information

Director Salutation:

Sheriff

Director First Name:

David

Director Middle Name:

A.

Director Last Name:

Byrnes

Reporter Name: Tim Moore

Reporter Email: tim.moore@kaufmanso.com

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 12531 S. State Hwy 34

City: Scurry

County: Kaufman

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

Type of Custody:

Police Custody (pre-booking)

Specific type of custody/facility:

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Custody of Peace Officer during/fleeing arrest

Custody Type Facility:

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: At the crime/arrest scene

Death Location Elsewhere:

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Dannie

Middle Name: Lee

Last Name: Whitmore

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 8/1/1989 Sex: Male

Ethnicity: African-American

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

Death Date and Time: 7/4/2016 12:33 AM

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident:

7/4/2016 12:30 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:

Justifiable Homicide

Manner of Death Description:

Death Reason:

Injuries only

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

N/A

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 staff

Death Causer Other:

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (mark all that apply)

Type of Death Weapon:

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

General Information

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 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?

Type of Offense:

Injuries of Decedent

Injured By: Injured by Officer

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs):	No	Exhibit any mental health problems?:	
Exhibit any medical problems?:			

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

Threaten the officer(s) involved:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	No
Try to escape/flee from custody:	No	Grab, hit or fight with the officer(s):	No

Other Behavior:

Specify Other Behavior:

Use weapon threaten/assault officer(s):	1

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 Monday July 4th, 2016 Kaufman County Sheriff’s Deputies were dispatched to a domestic where victims reported to dispatch operators they had been stabbed by a suspect later identified as Dannie Lee Whitmore. At approximately 12:30am officers arrived on scene. One officer met with a victim at the end of the driveway while two other officers went to the residence where the suspect and other victims were. Once the officers stepped out of their patrol vehicles, they located the suspect outside the residence in the front yard. The suspect displayed a knife and began coming toward officers at a fast pace walk. The officers began backing up giving several verbal commands to drop the knife, at which time, the suspect continued toward them shouting shoot me. The officers discharged their weapons and suspect was shot multiple times. The

scene was secured and several victims were located who had been stabbed by the suspect prior to officers arriving. Medical and first responders were called to the scene to assist with the injured. The Department of Public Safety Texas Rangers was called to assist in the investigation.