



KEN PAXTON

ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 23-495-C

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 5/9/2023 3:45 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Lubbock Police
Dept.

Agency Address: PO BOX 2000

Agency City: Lubbock

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 79457

Director Information

Director Salutation: Chief

Director First Name: Floyd

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Mitchell

Reporter Name: Ross Quarles

Reporter Email: rquarles@mail.ci.lubbock.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Kenneth

Middle Name: Dewight

Last Name: Forehand

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/13/1974

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 49

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 4/27/2023 12:54 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 4/27/2023 1:02 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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound to the head.

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?: Decedent

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?: Rifle/shotgun

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: 1300 block South
East Loop 289

City: Lubbock

County: Lubbock

Zip: 79404

What location category best describes where the event causing the death occurred?

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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:

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:

PC 29.03 Aggravated Robbery F/1

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: Discharged firearm

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:	Yes	Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody:	Yes
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 April 27th, 2023, Lubbock Police Officers responded to a call for service reference an aggravated robbery. A citizen reported that an unknown suspect in a black Silverado robbed him with a shotgun. As officers responded, further information was gathered that the suspect was in the area in the same vehicle. The citizen provided a vehicle description, license plate, and even stated that they observed the suspect vehicle still in the area.

The first officers arrived on scene and located the suspect vehicle in the area. When officers began to initiate a stop on the suspect, he fled in the vehicle. A vehicle pursuit was initiated, which continued on for several minutes.

While officers were pursuing the suspect in marked Lubbock Police Department vehicles (with lights and sirens activated), the suspect lost control of his vehicle. The suspect vehicle crossed several lanes of travel and flipped.

Upon officer's approach, they observed the suspect to be obviously deceased. The injuries appeared consistent with a self inflicted gunshot to the head. Officers also located a shotgun inside the passenger compartment of the vehicle with a freshly spent shotgun shell still in the chamber. EMS pronounced the suspect deceased on scene.