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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	25-957-C	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	11/26/2025 11:48 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Midland Police Dept.	Agency Address:	601 N. Loraine
Agency City:	Midland	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	79701		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Chief	Director First Name:	Greg
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Snow		
Reporter Name:	Jason Lee	Reporter Email:	jlee@midlandtexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: James

Middle Name: Francis

Last Name: McHugh

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 6/9/1959 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 66

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 10/13/2025 1:25 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 10/13/2025 2:45 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:

Cause of death is pending the autopsy, preliminary information suggests cardiac issue, possibly in conjunction with drug use.

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?: 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:	3808 W Wall St	City:	Midland
County:	Midland	Zip:	79703

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

Location Category:	Business

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 subsequent to 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:	10/13/2025 1:39 PM

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?: 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:

Criminal Trespass

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: 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): 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:	Yes, mark which restraint devices were used

Type of restraint

Type of Restraint:	Handcuffs

Summary of Incident

Summary of How the Death Occurred: (max. 30,000 characters)

Summary:

Midland Police Department officers responded to an advise of rights call reference the deceased attempting to retrieve property from the business. Subsequent to an investigation the officers placed the deceased under arrest for Criminal Trespass. The officers handcuffed the deceased, and with extreme difficulty due to the deceased's age and obese physical condition, placed him into the backseat of a patrol vehicle. The deceased began experiencing issues breathing and EMS was requested to respond to the scene. The deceased became unresponsive and was removed from the vehicle and CPR was initiated. Upon arrival of EMS the deceased was transported to the hospital where he was later pronounced deceased.