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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 26-692-CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 9/1/2026 9:57 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Jefferson County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 5030 Hwy 69S

Agency City: Beaumont

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77705

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Zena

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Stephens

Reporter Name: Marcia Guillory

Reporter Email: marcia.guillory@jeffersoncountytexas.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Raymond

Middle Name:

Last Name: Rodriguez

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 3/30/1975

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 51

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 6/18/2026 4:20 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/20/2026 11:44
AM

Manner / Cause of Death

Has a medical examiner or coroner conducted an evaluation to determine a cause of death?

Medical Examiner/Coroner Yes, results
Evaluation?: pending

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

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

unknown

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: 5030 Hwy 69 S

City: Beaumont

County: Jefferson

Zip: 77705

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

Location Category: Law Enforcement
Facility

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:

Jail - single cell

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: 6/18/2026 4:20 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?: 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:

Obstruction or Retaliation

Offense 2:

Resist Arrest Search or Transp

Offense 3:

Parole Violation

Were the Charges:: A probation/parole violation

What were the types of charges or reason for contact? (Hold CTRL to select all that apply)

Type of Offense: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

felony

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?: Yes

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Yes

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 standoff?:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
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:	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 July 20th, 2026 at or around 1023 AM, while escorting Mental Health in the N-dorm isolation hallway, Officer Myra Jackson and Skyler Ferguson< MHP attempted to speak with inmate Rodriguez, Raymond and inmate Rodriguez would not respond to them. Ferguson, MHP the asked Officer Jackson if they could open the cell to check on inmate Rodriguez. Officer Jackson then called for officers and a supervisor to assist. Sgt. S. Granger, Officers R. Sellers and M. Stevens responded and entered inmate Rodriguez cell. They then observed that inmate Rodriguez did not appear to be breathing and called medical staff to come assess inmate Rodriguez. Medical staff arrived and begin life saving measures and called for EMS service. Once EMS arrived they assisted medical stall in continuing life saving measures. At 1129 inmate Rodriguez was transported by EMS to The Medical Center of Southeast Texas, hospital staff continued to perform life saving measures. At 1144 Dr. Artoso stopped life saving measures and called the time of death.