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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number:	19-671-C	Version Type:	ORIGINAL VERSION
Report Date:	7/11/2019 11:07 AM	Status:	Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name:	Bastrop County Sheriff's Dept.	Agency Address:	200 Jackson Street
Agency City:	Bastrop	Agency State:	TX
Agency Zip:	78602		

Director Information

Director Salutation:	Sheriff	Director First Name:	Maaurice
Director Middle Name:			
Director Last Name:	Cook		
Reporter Name:	Kayla Stein	Reporter Email:	kayla.stein@co.bastrop.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: James

Middle Name: Ray

Last Name: Luker

Suffix: Jr

Date of Birth: 11/26/1979 Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 39

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/11/2019 9:00 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/11/2019 9:15 AM

Manner / Cause of Death

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

Medical Examiner/Coroner Evaluation?: No, evaluation not planned

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

Manner of Death: Suicide

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:	Unknown

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:	1242 SH 71 W Lot 105	City:	Bastrop
County:	Bastrop	Zip:	78602

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

RV Park

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:

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:

Stalking

Offense 2:

Evading arrest with vehicle

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: 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: 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): Yes

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?:	Yes	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:

On July 10, 2019 at around 9:00 AM
The decedent had active warrants (Austin Police Department) our for his arrest and was located at the Lost Pines RV Park 1242 SH 71 W lot 105 Bastrop, Texas 78602. Austin Police Department fugitive unit surrounded RV- lot 105 and began calling the decedent to exit and surrender. Officers on scene heard a gunshot and had a robot enter the RV were the decedent was found on the kitchen floor with what appeared to be a gunshot wound.

Investigators arrived on scene and observed decedent had a close contact gunshot wound to the upper chest with a dark soot ring around the entry. A 20 gauge shotgun was observed and located near the decedent. Blood and tissue was observed at the end of the barrel which was caused blow back.

Justice of the Peace was called and provided details of the incident. An autopsy wasn't ordered by the JP. The funeral home arrived and collected the decedent.