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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 20-82-CJ

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 3/25/2020 2:14 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Dallas County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 133 N. Riverfront
Blvd.

Agency City: Dallas

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 75207

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Marian

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Brown

Reporter Name: TERESA
HERNANDEZ

Reporter Email: tahernandez@dallascounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Nathaniel

Middle Name:

Last Name: Washington

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/19/1960

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 59

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 5/21/2019 2:08 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 2/2/2020 9:39 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 are
available

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

Manner of Death: Natural

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

The Decedent died as a result of Bronchopneumonia. Congestive Heart Failure and Chronic Kidney Disease due to Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes Mellitus also contributed to the Decedent's death.

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?: Pre-existing medical condition

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: 5200 Harry Hines
Blvd.

City: Dallas

County: Dallas

Zip: 75235

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

Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Hospital.

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:

Hospital/Infirmary

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: Elsewhere, specify

Death Location Elsewhere:

Hospital.

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:

Assault Public Servant F1944793

Offense 2:

Insufficient Bond Assault PS F1944793Q

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?: 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?: Unknown

Resist being handcuffed or arrested?: Unknown

Physically attempt/assault officer(s): No

Gain possession of officer's weapon: Unknown

Verbally threaten other(s) including law: Unknown

Escape or attempt to escape/flee custody: Unknown

Attempt gain possession officer's weapon: Unknown

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 Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at approximately 2:08 a.m., Nathaniel Washington (B/M DOB:11-19-1960, 59 yoa) was booked in the Dallas County Jail, located at 111 W. Commerce St., Dallas, Dallas County, TX, 75207. Washington was charged with Assault Public Servant (F1944793) and Insufficient Bond Assault Public Servant (F1944793). Washington was booked in under BNO#19024932.

On Wednesday, January 29, 2020, at approximately 3:50 a.m., Washington was being evaluated by medical staff at the Gill Hernandez Medical Facility in the Dallas County Jail, Nurse Practitioner I. Ondari, determined that Washington needed to be transported to Parkland Memorial Hospital due to low Oxygen level. Washington was transported by Arcadian ambulance unit #943 to PMH. He was admitted to room 15-622.

On Thursday, January 30, 2020, at approximately 1:20 a.m., medical staff at PMH called a "Code Blue" on Washington, and CPR was administered. At 1:27 a.m., medical staff were able to gain a pulse.

On Sunday, February 2, 2020, at approximately 6:30 p.m., Doctor Sommese informed Dallas County Jail Personal that Washington had only 1-3 hours to live. Washington's family was notified and arrived at PMH, to

visit. At 9:32 p.m., Washington stop breathing. Doctor Joseph Vento evaluated and pronounced Washington dead at 9:39 p.m., from Cardiac arrest that brought on by complications of Pneumonia. Washington was fingerprinted and released from custody to the Dallas County Medical Examiner. M.E. #20-02030 was assigned to this death investigation. DSO Service number #20-009396.

On Wednesday, March 25, 2020, Det. M. Martin #1035 received an Autopsy Report from the Southwestern Institute of Forensic Science at Dallas (SWIFS) pertaining to IFS#20-02030. The report depicts that the Decedent died as a result of Bronchopneumonia. Congestive Heart Failure and Chronic Kidney Disease due to Hypertensive Cardiovascular Disease and Diabetes Mellitus also contributed to the Decedent's death.

The manner of death was declared as "Natural" by Stephen M. Lenfest SWIFS Medical Examiner.