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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 21-1221-CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 9/20/2021 12:33
PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Hood County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 400 Deputy Larry
Miller Dr.

Agency City: Granbury

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 76048

Director Information

Director Salutation: Lieutenant

Director First Name: Johnny

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Rose

Reporter Name: Johnny Rose

Reporter Email: jrose@co.hood.tx.us

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Mark

Middle Name: Leonard

Last Name: Pill

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 4/15/1957

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 64

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 9/18/2021 1:23 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 9/18/2021 1:23 PM

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: Other - specify

Manner of Death Description:

Major medical problems, Acute hypoxemic respiratory failure due to pneumonia, recurrent- possible aspiration and cirrosis of the liver and the manner of death was natural.

Medical Cause of Death:

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Major medical problems, Acute hypoxemic respiratory failure due to pneumonia, recurrent- possible aspiration and cirrosis of the liver and the manner of death was natural.

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: 1310 Paluxy Rd,
Granbury, TX
76048

City: GRANBURY

County: Hood

Zip: 76048

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:

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: 9/12/2021 8:00 AM

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:

Injury to the Elderly

Offense 2:

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: Other, specify

Type of Offense, Other:

Injury to the Elderly

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: No

Summary of Incident

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

Summary:

S2120324- In custody Death

Deceased:

Mark Leonard Pill

Hood County Jail Inmate

4-15-1957

462-78-0464

On 9-18-21 at approx 1337 hours, I, Inv Toby Fries received a phone call on my county issued cell phone from LT Johnny Rose stating Inmate Mark Pill had passed away at Lake Granbury Medical Center. It should be known I was informed 9-17-2021 this was an expected death. With that said, on 9-17-2021, I, went into the jail and picked up all paperwork the jail staff had on Mark.

This date, 9-18-2021, when I was called of his death, I called Justice of the Peace Kathy Gwinn to inform her. She advised me since Mark had been in the hospital over 24 hours, she would not be coming to hospital to pronounce the death. I then called Texas Ranger Danny Briley, since this was an in-custody death. Ranger Briley stated he would be coming to the hospital with me. Upon my arrival to the hospital, I waited outside the ambulance bay for Ranger Briley. Upon his arrival, we entered the hospital and went to room 114. Once inside, I was met by Mark, who was deceased in the hospital bed, Transport Officer Hawari and Mark's sister, Kathleen Pill Brewer(8-10-1952). I was informed Dr Alisa Petersen pronounced Mark's time of death at 1323 hours on 9-18-2021.

Looking at Mark, he was laying supine in a hospital bed covered up with a blanket. Speaking to Dr Petersen, she noted the cause of death was Acute hypoxemic respiratory failure due to pneumonia, recurrent- possible aspiration and cirrosis of the liver and the manner of death was natural. Ranger Briley asked Dr Petersen if Mark had any injuries or trauma from assault or such, which she stated he did not.

I then re-entered the room and began to take photographs of Mark, both covered and uncovered. I did not see any injuries which would indicate trauma or assault.

A Registered Nurse entered the room and asked if Lone Star Cremation could be notified to come remove Mark. I advised they could be called. Transport Hawari stayed with Mark and Kathleen and I cleared the hospital.

Once at my office, all photographs were downloaded into the Investigator Share file at the LEC.