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## ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

### CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

## Agency Information

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CDR Number: 21-513-CJ

Version Type: ORIGINAL  
VERSION

Report Date: 4/22/2021 2:04 PM

Status: Submitted

## Agency/Facility Information

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Agency Name: Caldwell County  
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 1204 Reed Dr.

Agency City: Lockhart

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 78644

## Director Information

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Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Mike

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Lane

Reporter Name: James Short

Reporter Email: james.short@co.caldwell.tx.us

## Decedent Information

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## Identity of Deceased

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First Name: Antonio

Middle Name:

Last Name: Garza

Suffix: Mr,08

Date of Birth: 8/7/1959

Sex: Male

Race: Hispanic or Latino

Age At Time Of Death: 61

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

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Date/Time of Custody or  
Incident: 10/2/2019 4:45 PM

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

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Death Date and Time: 2/24/2021 4:05 PM

## Manner / Cause of Death

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

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

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

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Manner of Death: Natural

## Medical Cause of Death:

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Medical Cause of Death:

Septic shock, Klebsiella pneumonia, Staph epidermidis bacteremia, acute renal failure, multiorgan dysfunction, COVID 19 pneumonia, acute hypoxic respiratory failure, COPD exacerbation, Diabetes mellitus type 2, hypertension, hyperlipidemia, acute on chronic kidney disease, chronic diastolic heart failure, Coronary heart failure, coronary artery failure

Had the decedent been receiving treatment for the medical condition that caused the death after admission to your jail's jurisdiction?

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Medical Treatment: Yes

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, who caused the death?

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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)

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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?

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Pre existing medical condition?: Pre-existing medical condition

If death was an accident, homicide or suicide, what was the means of death?

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Means of Death: Not applicable, cause of death was illness/natural cause

## Location / Custody Information

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Where did the event causing the death occur?

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Street Address: 6001 kyle parkway

City: Kyle

County: Hays

Zip: 78640

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

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Location Category: Other, specify

Other Location Category:

Ascension Kyle Hays Hospital

What type of custody/facility was the Decedent in at the time of death:

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Type of Custody: County Jail

Specific type of custody/facility:

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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):

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Entry Date Time: 10/2/2019 4:45 PM

Where did the death occur?

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Death Location: Medical facility

## General Information

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Did any other law enforcement agencies respond to calls for service related to this incident?

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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?

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Offense 1:

Burglary of a habitation F!

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)

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Type of Offense: Violent Crime  
Against Persons;  
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?

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Decedent display/use of  
weapons: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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Attempt to Injure Others?: No

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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Appear intoxicated (alcohol or  
drugs): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: No

Exhibit any mental health  
problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Yes

At any time during the incident and/or entry into the law enforcement facility, did the decedent:

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|----------------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------------------|----|
| Barricade self or initiate<br>standoff?:     | No | Resist being handcuffed or<br>arrested?:     | No |
| Physically attempt/assault<br>officer(s):    | No | Gain possession of officer's<br>weapon:      | No |
| Verbally threaten other(s)<br>including law: | No | Escape or attempt to<br>escape/flee custody: | No |
| Attempt gain possession<br>officer's weapon: | No |                                              |    |

Was the deceased under restraint in the time leading up to the death or the events causing the death?

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Under Restraint: No

## Summary of Incident

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

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### Summary:

On 02-8-21 Mr. Garza was sent to the ER for decreased oxygen saturation and was admitted for observation. Mr. Garza was discharged back to Caldwell County Jail on 02-11-21. Our medical staff ensured Mr. Garza had appropriate oxygen equipment in the medical segregation cell before he was housed in medical for observation. Mr. Garza continued to have decreased oxygen saturation overnight and was returned to the ER on 2-12-21. On the morning of 2-13-21, Lt. Didriksen was notified by Officer Kimberly Ramirez that Mr. Garza was going to be transferred into ICU. At that time, Lt. Didriksen contacted our District Attorney in order to request a personal bond for Mr. Garza. At approximately 10:00a.m. the District Judge issued a personal bond for Mr. Garza and Officer Ramirez returned to the Caldwell County Jail. On February 25th, 2021 our medical department received a progress note of care via fax from Seton Kyle Hospital stating that Mr. Garza had passed away on the 24th of February 2021 after the family made the decision to remove all life sustaining measures.