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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 19-1438-UF

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 1/6/2025 10:15 AM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Brazoria County
Sheriff's Office

Agency Address: 3602 County Road
45

Agency City: Angleton

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77515

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: Leonard

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Stallman

Reporter Name: Clinton Lobpries

Reporter Email: clintl@brazoriacountytx.gov

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Brandon

Middle Name: Ray

Last Name: Stansel

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 5/1/1983

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 36

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/16/2019 12:34 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/16/2019 12:34 AM

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: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound of head

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?: 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?: Handgun

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: 252 CR 687

City: Angleton

County: Brazoria

Zip: 77515

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

Location Category: Residence/Home

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

Type of Custody: Pre-Custodial Use
of Force

Specific type of custody/facility:

Specific Type of Custody/Facility:

Custody of Law Enforcement Personnel during/fleeing 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: 7/16/2019 12:34
AM

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:

Burglary of a Habitation

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: 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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Discharged firearm

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: Yes (select all that apply)

Ways Decedent Attempted To Injure Others: Attempted to injure law enforcement personnel

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs): Unknown

Make suicidal statements?: Unknown

Exhibit any mental health problems?: Unknown

Exhibit any medical problems?: Unknown

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?:	Yes
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:	Yes
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:

Related to CDR entry on Kelly Brumley

INVESTIGATION:

On 07-16-2019 at approximately 0034 hours Deputy Yates initiated a traffic stop in the area of CR 687 and SH 288B Angleton TX 77515. At approximately 0034 hours Deputy Yates advised over BCSO dispatch radio channel that shots were fired, and I was dispatched to assist.

Upon Deputy Yates advising that shots were fired I further head Deputy Yates come across the radio again that the driver of the vehicle had ran from the car, but could not understand exactly where the driver had ran to. I was responding from the south end sub station when I heard Deputy Yates come over the radio again stating that there was more shots fired by the driver, and that Richwood PD had the passenger of the vehicle detained.

I arrived at approximately 0041 hours and observed Deputy Yates to be standing behind a Richwood PD patrol unit on the roadway in front of the address 252 CR 687 Angleton TX 77515. Deputy Yates at this time was accompanied by Richwood Officers Mayfield and Skelton and had taken cover behind the Richwood Explorer and Crown Vic patrol units and observed a white male in a red shirt with blue jeans to be laying in the ditch to the south side of the road in hand cuffs. I later learned that the male in the ditch was the passenger Joshua Huber, and was not involved in the shooting that had occurred.

As I arrived on scene I requested Officer Skelton cover me while I access the trunk section of the BCSO 1542 patrol unit to access the Brazoria County Issued AR 15 platform long rifle. As I was getting the rifle from the case and loading, Deputies Johnson and Cleberg arrived on scene with Angleton PD Officer Pennington and Corporal Vandergrift behind them, and shortly after Sgt. Crawley from Oyster Creek PD. I had positioned the 1542 patrol unit facing west on CR 687 and was covering the south of the residence which covered the side of the garage which was at the west portion of the house, several windows the front door which was positioned towards the middle of the south wall of the house and opening to the west, to the east corner of the residence to an open side yard.

It was last known for the driver who was shooting at Deputy Yates and identified by Joshua Huber as Brandon Stansel to be entering the garage portion of the residence. The garage was a double bay door style opening that faced west as the drive way curved into the garage so with our current positioning behind cover of the patrol units, we were unable to see inside the garage. Deputy Johnson and Officer Pennington left cover of the patrol units on the street and went around the east corner of the residence opposite side of the garage and took place on the north side of the residence to surround the residence.

Joshua Huber had advised that Brandon Stansel had been hit by Deputy Yates in the first shooting altercation between Deputy Yates and Brandon Stansel, but was unsure of where on his body he was hit. Joshua Huber stated that Brandon Stansel was "bleeding all over the place". I made several attempts calling out for Brandon Stansel to answer but could not get a response, and could never see any movement from inside the residence windows or from the garage area.

While we were on the street awaiting some type of response from Brandon Stansel, BCSO Dispatch had advised that the brother of Brandon Stansel had called in advising that he received a call from the Father of Brandon Stansel who was inside the residence that Kelly Brumley had been shot as well as Brandon Stansel and both were in the garage, and that the father had no part in the shooting. As Sgt Staner arrived he advised BCSO Dispatch to call out Swat and a negotiator. Sometime as Sgt. Staner arrived Deputy Shane had arrived as well and was coming east bound on CR 687. Deputy Yates had advised Deputy Shane to position herself on the roadway at a point where she could get a better sight into the garage. Deputy Yates asked Deputy Shane if she could see inside the garage and Deputy Shane advised that she could see the open garage door but could not see a male or female anywhere in the garage.

While we were waiting, I observed the front door open to the residence and called out to the units on scene that we had movement at the front door, and then advised over the radio that there was movement at the front door. I observed a white male to emerge from the door with his hands in the air, and Deputy Yates began calling commands to the white male to keep his hands in the air facing the house and to walk backwards through the front yard towards the street. As Deputy Yates was calling commands I observed the white male later identified as the father of Brandon Stansel to be following commands so I took point at the Richwood PD explorer which was positioned closest to the driveway and kept focus on the garage area of the house for any movement. Sometime while I was covering the garage area of the residence Corporal Vandergrift had made his way to where I was positioned and we both observed the neighbors to the west of the residence to have opened the front door of their home and had partially emerged from the front door. Corral Vandergrift ran west on the road to the front of the neighboring house and to the front door where he met up with the neighbors and got them to go back inside their residence for cover as we were still unsure of the status of Brandon Stansel. Corral Vandergrift was able to enter the neighbors residence and accessed one of the north rooms of the house where a window was facing the open garage. Corral Vandergrift advised over BCSO dispatch 1 radio that he could see a female laying in the driveway in front of the garage with what he believed to be a gun shot wound and was not moving.

As Corporal Vandergrift emerged from the neighbors residence, he took cover behind a tree in the front yard of the neighbors residence. I observed Deputy Yates join Corporal Vandergrift at his point of cover and observed the two speaking, but could not hear what they were saying. A few seconds after Deputy Yates and Corporal Vandergrift spoke, I observed the two begin to advance towards the garage where Brandon Stansel was last seen and where the female was seen laying on the ground. As I observed the two advancing I left my point of cover as well and began advancing down the driveway to the garage along with Deputy Shane, Officer Mayfield and Officer Skelton. As we got closer to the garage I observed the female to be laying lifeless on the ground and saw Deputy Johnson and Officer Pennington to be yelling commands toward the vehicle that Deputy Yates had stopped in the driveway. As everyone turned their attention to the vehicle I observed Brandon Stansel to be slouched backwards from the driver seat to the passenger seat and had drawn down with the county issues rifle that I was still in possession of. I observed Brandon Stansel to not be responding to commands at all and upon further observation appeared to not be breathing as I was looking through the rear driver side passenger window. I remained in my position until one of the Deputies or Officers secured an unknown handgun from Brandon Stansel, and placed it on top of the car.

After the weapon was secured I turned my attention back to the garage area since we were still uncertain if the inside of the garage or inside of the house was secured, and remained until myself Deputy Shane and some of the Officers on scene (unsure of which ones) cleared the garage and the inside of the residence. As I was making my way through the garage I observed a large amount of what appeared to be blood on the ground leading up to the interior door and stopping. Once inside the residence, I did not observe any blood.

Upon clearing inside of the residence I was met with one locked door secured by dead bolt. Upon clearing with Sgt. Staner I forced entry into the door by kicking it open and cleared the room. After clearing the residence by making sure nobody else was inside, we all exited the residence. While we were standing near the garage I was observing radio traffic coming from inside the vehicle where Brandon Stansel was in, but could not locate where it was coming from. To the best of my knowledge other than removing the hand gun from Brandon Stansel none of the Deputies or Officers touched anything from the vehicle. As I was hearing the echo coming from the car, I also heard that conversation that was not over the radio was coming from the car as well. It was unknown what the source was, possibly a phone call that was not hung up between Brandon Stansel and Kelly Brumley.

As EMS was cleared to come in to check Kelly Brumley and Brandon Stansel I walked back to the 1542 patrol unit to pack the county issued rifle back into the supplied case and placed it in the truck portion of the patrol unit where it is normally stored. At this time I observed Lt. Snelgrove to be on scene as well as Captain Foreman and awaited further directions, which was to hold scene until the assigned investigators arrived. While we were waiting for the investigators I was approached by Deputy Shane and was given a list of names for the Deputies, Officers and EMS that were on scene. I was not given full names of EMS only last names and possibly one first name only, Clute EMS unit 283 included Williams and Arrant unit 285 included Horsley and Lindsey.

As Investigators Griffin, Sosa, Goolsby, and Thomas arrived scene was handed over to them and I was requested to hold scene at the road to make sure no traffic gets through the area or any family that arrives get on the scene. While holding scene, the father of Brandon Stansel was placed in the back of the 1542 patrol unit for Investigators Sosa and Griffin to speak with until he was released. Richard Stansel the brother of Brandon Stansel arrived on scene and I spoke with him briefly in regards to him wanting to know the status of his father and brother, and what had happened. I told Richard Stansel that his father was not harmed in any of the shooting and that he was safe awaiting for Investigators to speak with him and that I could not release any other information. Richard Stansel was upset but understood protocol. As I was speaking with Richard Stansel he was asking if the Officer involved was injured and stated that " I know my brother was guilty this was a long time coming, I'm surprised it has taken this long". " He is a drug dealer and is always running around with other drug dealers and has been supplying my mom with meth for several months". " the first thing my dad said when he called me was; it's finally happening, Kelly is all shot up probably dead in the driveway and Brandon is shot up in the garage probably dead". Richard Stansel further said that the week prior Brandon Stansel had a pistol that was reported to have been supplied to him by Kelly Brumley described as a 9 mm with camouflage grips, and that Brandon Stansel brags about selling drugs. I asked Richard Stansel if he would be willing to write a statement in regards to what he told me, but was told that he would not provide a written statement until he gets a status on his brother at which time he would write down anything he knew about Brandon Stansels illegal activities. I told Richard Stansel to remain in the area just not in the immediate scene and to wait for Investigator Griffin to speak with him to release the information as it will be his scene and call to release the wanted information.

As I was relaying the information to Investigator Griffin I was told to wait until he gets a chance to go speak with Richard Stansel and to catch as much of the conversation on audio as I can. I remained in the area until Investigator Griffin spoke with Richard Stansel and kept the county issued audio equipment active while the two were speaking at which point Richard Stansel agreed to give a written statement to Investigator Griffin. Afterwards, I was released from the scene to make relief and have Deputy Boulter come back to the location to hold scene at the road as I was previously instructed.

Statement collected from Richard Stansel by Investigator Griffin, and after Investigator Griffin spoke with the Father whom I never spoke with or identified was released from the back of the 1542 patrol unit. Audio/ video was initiated upon responding priority one from the sub station. Richwood PD agency assist case # 190156, Angleton PD agency assist case # 2019001272, Oyster Creek PD agency assist case # 19-0143. See Deputy Shane, Cleberg, Johnson, Yates, and Sgt. Staners supplements for further information.