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CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 25-518-UF

Version Type: AMENDED

Report Date: 7/9/2025 7:47 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: Daniel

Middle Name: Areh

Last Name: Akpo

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 7/24/1997

Sex: Male

Race: Black or African
American

Age At Time Of Death: 27

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

Date/Time of Custody or
Incident: 6/19/2025 2:21 AM

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

Death Date and Time: 6/19/2025 4:41 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: Homicide (includes
Justifiable
Homicide)

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Multiple gunshot wounds

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?: Law
enforcement/correctional
personnel

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;
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: SH 288 feeder road
@ CR 572A

City: Rosharon

County: Brazoria

Zip: 77583

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

Location Category: Field/woods/lake/waterway/beach

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:

Entry Date Time N/A: ☒

Where did the death occur?

Death Location: Dead on arrival at
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:

Assault

Offense 2:

Evading arrest with a 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: Yes, mark all that apply

Decedent Display or Use Weapon Details: Displayed other weapon, specify:

Specify Weapon Displayed:

Knife

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

Attempt to Injure Others?: Unknown

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?:	Yes
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?:	Yes
Physically attempt/assault officer(s):	No	Gain possession of officer's weapon:	No
Verbally threaten other(s) including law:	Yes	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:

On Thursday 06/19/2025 at approximately 0126 hours while on uniformed patrol I was dispatched to 16310 Deerhaven Run, Rosharon, TX, 77583 in reference to an Impending Disturbance. I was informed by dispatch that the complainant's ex-boyfriend had text her stating that he was going to arrive at her residence. The complainant later identified as Brenda Pena DOB: 07/28/2002 stated that her ex-boyfriend later identified as Daniel Areh DOB: 07/24/1997 was driving a gray in color Toyota four door car of an unknown model. My Motorola Camera system was activated upon arrival.

Upon arrival I made contact with Brenda. Brenda stated that Daniel had assaulted her in the past and was concerned that he would do the same if he showed up. Brenda stated that Daniel did not make any threats and that he only stated that he was going to come over.

I ran Daniel's information through TCIC/NCIC observing him to have a warrant out Harris County for Assault Causing Bodily Injury and a warrant out of Brazoria County for Assault by Threat Family Violence. I observed

there to be no active Emergency Protective Order currently in place. I then informed Brenda to call law enforcement if Daniel arrived at her residence and set up a Close Patrol due to her concerns.

While leaving the location and at the 2700 Block of FM 1462 traveling East I observed there to be a gray in color Toyota passenger vehicle bearing TXLP#PCT0513 to pass me traveling West. I observed the vehicle to have a defective headlamp also. Due to the traffic violation and the reasonable suspicion I turned around to initiate a traffic stop on the vehicle. While attempting to catch up to the vehicle I observed the vehicle to turn down Brenda's street. I then after catching up to the vehicle activated my emergency lights on my marked patrol unit. The vehicle continued at a high rate of speed going to the dead end of Deerhaven Run and turned around. I then turned around with my emergency lights and sirens activated pursuing the vehicle to FM 1462. The vehicle then began to flee East on FM 1462 turning off the lights to his vehicle. I continued pursuing the vehicle to SH 288 where he turned North. While turning North the vehicle momentarily lost control damaging it. I continued North on SH 288 where he ultimately lost his passenger side front tire. The vehicle then went across the grass divider of SH 288 just South of CR 60 going into on coming traffic. I followed the vehicle continuing with the flow of traffic on the opposite side of SH 288. I then observed the vehicle to cross another grass divider and to go into a ditch at SH 288 and CR 572A. I then crossed the grass divider stopping near the vehicle and observing the driver door to be opened.

I could see and hear the foliage moving, but was unable to see the subject due to the thickness. I gave commands to stop which were ignored. Deputy Vincent unit #5568 who was also on location then began to set up a perimeter. While holding perimeter at SH 288 and CR 572A Deputy Mezzino unit #3522 and Deputy Heckethorn unit #3523 and Officers Mitchell and Cleere with Alvin drone team arrived on location to assist. Officers Mitchell and Cleere observed a subject laying prone on the ground with the drone approximately 50 yards away from the abandoned vehicle in a heavily wooded area. Deputy Mezzino, Heckethorn, and Vincent went in the wooded area with K-9 Apache in an attempt to apprehend the subject. I along with Deputy Martinez/Otto unit # 6502, Sgt. Harris unit # 5513, and Deputy Morgan unit #5535 continued to hold perimeter. Iowa Colony PD Sgt Lambert assisted in holding perimeter. While I was holding perimeter Deputy Mezzino, Deputy Heckethorn, and Deputy Vincent approached the subject. Upon approaching I observed the sound of gunfire to be coming from the wooded area. I continued to hold perimeter unaware of the circumstances and to avoid crossfire.

I was then informed by radio that the subject had been hit and that additional units requested in the wooded area to assist in medical care. I then went into the wooded area assisting in bringing Daniel out of the wooded area and to an awaiting ambulance. I observed Daniel to have multiple gunshot wounds and to have shallow breathing. I then set up crime scene tape and began a crime scene log securing the scene. Medic 2 with Memorial Hermann lifeflight arrived on location taking Daniel to Memorial Hermann Downtown with CPR in progress. The scene was then turned over to Investigations along with the vehicle which was still on location upon my departure. Iowa Colony provided Case #25-00410. Alvin PD provided Case # 01538. Charges are pending investigation.