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ATTORNEY GENERAL *of* TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

CDR Number: 26-542-C

Version Type: ORIGINAL
VERSION

Report Date: 7/16/2026 2:38 PM

Status: Submitted

Agency/Facility Information

Agency Name: Burleson County
Sheriff's Dept.

Agency Address: 1334 Presidential
Corridor E

Agency City: Caldwell

Agency State: TX

Agency Zip: 77836

Director Information

Director Salutation: Sheriff

Director First Name: William

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name: Rios

Reporter Name: crystal bernstein

Reporter Email: cbernstein@burlesoncounty.org

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Everardo

Middle Name:

Last Name: Armenta

Suffix: Jr

Date of Birth: 7/10/1979

Sex: Male

Race: Anglo or White

Age At Time Of Death: 47

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident: 7/15/2026 12:02 PM

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

Death Date and Time: 7/15/2026 12:54 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 pending

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

Manner of Death: Suicide

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Examiner results pending. Male had gunshot wound to head

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

Medical Treatment: Not Applicable

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: State highway 21 at
county road 105

City: CALDWELL

County: Burleson

Zip: 77836

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

Location Category: Roadway/highway/street/sidewalk

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

Type of Custody: Police Custody
(pre-booking)

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: 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:

Homicide

Offense 2:

Terroristic Threat

Offense 3:

Were the Charges:: Not filed at time of death

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: Killed civilian(s) or other inmate(s)

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?: 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: 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 7/15/26 a 911 call came in to dispatch of a female being shot in the head. The suspect, identified as the victim's estranged boyfriend, fled the scene in a black Lincoln Navigator. Responding deputies spotted the vehicle and suspect and innated a suspicious vehicle stop. Although the suspect pulled over, he did not comply with commands. Deputies could see that the suspects head was covered in blood. Finding the vehicle doors locked, DPS breached a window and discovered the suspect inside with a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The deputies could not find a pulse on the suspect. when they moved the suspect to the ground the suspect he made a grunting sound. Deputies administered first aid. He was transported by Medic 13 to the hospital, where he died a short time later.

The female victim was shot in the chest and head at the scene 375 maple drive. Deputies administered CPR and were able to restore a pulse. Medic 23 transported her to the hospital, but she later succumbed to her injuries.

