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ATTORNEY GENERAL of TEXAS

CUSTODIAL DEATH REPORT

Agency Information

PA Number:	PA16049C	Report Date:	2/15/2016 12:55 PM
Status:	Submitted		

Agency/Facility Information

Department ID:	462	Department Type:	POLICE
Agency Name:	Kerrville Police Dept.	Agency Number:	TX1330100
Agency Phone:	8302578181	Agency Address:	429 Sidney Baker St.
Agency City:	Kerrville	Agency County:	Kerr
Agency State:	TX	Agency Zip:	78028

Director Information

Director Salutation:

Chief

Director First Name:

David

Director Middle Name:

Director Last Name:

Knight

Reporter Name: David Knight Reporter Email: David.knight@kerrvilletx.gov

Location / Custody Information

Where did the event causing the death occur?

Street Address: 4116 RR 783 South

City: Harper

County: Gillespie

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:

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Custody of Peace Officer during/fleeing arrest

Custody Type Facility:

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: At the crime/arrest scene

Death Location Elsewhere:

Decedent Information

Identity of Deceased

First Name: Michael

Middle Name: Clyde

Last Name: Lynch

Suffix:

Date of Birth: 11/3/1978 Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Anglo

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

Death Date and Time: 1/20/2016 12:30 AM

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

Date/Time of Custody or Incident:

1/20/2016 12:30 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 pending

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

Manner of Death:

Justifiable Homicide

Manner of Death Description:

Death Reason:

Injuries only

Medical Cause of Death:

Medical Cause of Death:

Gunshot wound

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?:

Law enforcement/correctional staff

Death Causer Other:

If a weapon caused the death, what type of weapon caused the death? (mark all that apply)

Type of Death Weapon:

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

General Information

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 / Habitation

Offense 2:

Probation Violation / Assault Family Violence

Offense 3:

Evading Arrest / Vehicle

Were the Charges::

Not filed at time of death

What were the types of charges or reason for contact?

Type of Offense:

Injuries of Decedent

Injured By: Injured by Officer

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

Appear intoxicated (alcohol or drugs):	No	Exhibit any mental health problems?:	
Exhibit any medical problems?:			

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

Threaten the officer(s) involved:	No	Resist being handcuffed or arrested?:	Yes
Try to escape/flee from custody:	Yes	Grab, hit or fight with the officer(s):	No

Other Behavior:

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Specify Other Behavior:

Attempt to draw knife from waistband

Use weapon threaten/assault officer(s):	0

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 January 20, 2016 at approximately 0030 hours investigators from the Kerrville Police Department Special Crimes Unit in conjunction with the Texas State Fugitive Task Force attempted to apprehend a suspect. (Michael Lynch) Lynch had several active warrants, was actively dealing methamphetamine, and was a possible suspect in recent burglaries.

Lynch was located in Kerrville and followed outside of the city towards Harper, Texas. Texas Department of Public Safety attempted to conduct a traffic stop. Lynch fled in his vehicle and then abandoned the vehicle in an attempt to flee on foot. Lynch was reported as being armed.

Officers pursued Lynch in conjunction with the Texas State Fugitive Task Force and Texas Department of Public Safety. Lynch was chased on foot approximately 3 miles before breaking into and out of a ranch house near Harper, Texas.

Shortly thereafter Officers caught up with Lynch in a riverbed. Lynch was reported as having a knife and was shot by Officer. Lynch died on scene.