

San Diego County Sheriff's Department Homicide Unit Media Information

SUBJECT: Death Investigation

LOCATION: 446 Alta Rd, San Diego

DATE/TIME: May 11, 2019 / 9:05 a.m.

DECEASED: Dennis Lee Curry, age 63

SUSPECT: None

The following information is fragmentary and has not been completely verified. It is based, in part, on hearsay and is intended for early information use rather than being a formal investigative report.

On May 11, 2019, at about 9:05 a.m., deputies at the George Bailey Detention Facility were notified by an inmate that sixty-three-year-old Dennis Lee Curry needed medical assistance inside his housing cell. Deputies quickly responded to the cell and saw Curry in medical distress. Curry was awake and spoke to the deputies upon their arrival. Curry complained of pain to his head and chest, but had no visible injuries. Medical staff from the jail also responded to provide immediate medical care. Paramedics responded and Curry was transported to a local hospital, but his condition deteriorated and he was placed on life support. Curry was pronounced deceased on May 13, 2019, at about 11:11 a.m. Curry was in custody for outstanding warrants related to prior DUI and drug related charges. The Sheriff's Homicide Unit responded to investigate the death.

An autopsy was conducted by the Medical Examiner's Office. They have determined the cause of death to be complications from hepatic cirrhosis, and the manner of death to be natural. The Sheriff's Homicide Unit responds to investigate all in-custody deaths. Our response is not an indication of foul play or suspicious circumstances. The investigation is ongoing.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to call the Sheriff's Homicide Unit at (858) 258-6330/after hours at (858) 565-5200. You can also remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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