Record of Death

Provided by South Carolina Department of Corrections, February 1, 2022

Name: SOMERSET, RONALD JOHN

SCDC#: 101100

Sex: M

Race/ethnicity: White, not of Hispanic origin

Date of birth: 10/19/1945

Date of commitment: 4/16/1980

Date of death: 7/3/2017

Cause of death: Natural Cause

Assigned institution: LEE

Death location: LEE

DIVISION OF COMPLIANCE, STANDARDS, AND INSPECTIONS
SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS
REPORT OF INMATE DEATH

(Sections 24-9-35 and 17-7-10, South Carolina Code of Laws)
(Standards 1047 and 1049, Minimum Standards for Local Detention Facilities in South Carolina)
(SCDC Policies/Procedures HS-18.04 and PS-10.05)

1. FACILITY: Lee Correctional Institution

2. NAME OF DECEASED: Ronald Somerset SCDC# 101100 101100

3. HOME ADDRESS: [redacted]

4. DESCRIPTION: DOB [redacted] HEIGHT 5'04" WEIGHT 169 lbs. HAIR Brown

EYES Green SEX Male RACE White SOC SEC # [redacted]

5. ARRESTING OFFENSE(S): Murder

SENTENCED ☒ PRETRIAL ☐

6. DATE AND TIME OF COMMITMENT: 04 16 1980

7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF RELATIVE(S) OF THE DECEASED CONTACTED: [redacted]

8. RECORD OF DECEASED INMATE'S PHYSICAL CONDITION UPON ADMISSION [redacted]

9. CAUSE OF DEATH: Natural Causes

10. TIME AND DATE OF DEATH: ____ a.m. 2:45 p.m. 03 day July month 2017 year

11. NAME OF DOCTOR WHO PRONOUNCED DEATH: Coroner Chad Cottingham

12. NAME OF CORONER WHO ORDERED AUTOPSY: Coroner Chad Cottingham

13. AUTOPSY PERFORMED BY: Newberry Pathology, 185 Executive Drive, Newberry, SC 29108.

14. NAME OF PERSON DISCOVERING DECEASED, TIME DISCOVERED, AND LOCATION WITHIN FACILITY:
Nursa Alva & Nurse Shaugnessy, at approximately 2:45 pm in Lee CI - Infirmary.

15. AT THE TIME OF DEATH: 1,321 (Actual Count) 21 (# of Officers on Duty)

16. WHEN INMATE WAS LAST SEEN ALIVE: Before 2:45 pm on July 3, 2017

NOTIFY BY TELEPHONE AT: (803) 896-8502

MAIL OR DELIVER REPORT TO:

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For Bruce Kuehl

SIGNATURE OF OFFICIAL MAKING REPORT

Kenneth J. Nelsen, Warden
TYPED OR PRINTED TITLE OF OFFICIAL

03 26 2019
DATE OF REPORT

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