# Record of Death

Provided by LA Department of Public Safety and Corrections (DPSC)*
on 04/24/2026

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**Name:** Roger Richardson

**DOC #:** 528183

**Race / Ethnicity:** Black or African American / Unknown

**Gender:** Male

**Age / Birth Year:** 51 / 1974

**Date of Birth:** 2/17/1974

**First Admission Date to DOC:** 8/22/2007

**Sentence:** 6 years

**Facility:** Local Franklin Detention Center

**Date of Death:** 7/3/2025

**Time of Death:** 18:15

**Manner of Death (DOC):** Heart -any type of heart related death including cardiopulmonary arrest

**Expected / Unexpected:** Unexpected

**Autopsy Required:** Yes

**Circumstances of Death (LCLE):** Heart-any type of heart related death including cardiopulmonary arrest.

**Coroner Report Information:** Investigation of the circumstances of death revealed that the decedent was an inmate at the Franklin Detention Center when went to lie down and take a nap. He was subsequently found pulseless."

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*Incarceration Transparency Project Notes (not included in DPSC Record):*

- *State Facility Codes:*
  - *ALC: Allen Correctional Center*
  - *EHCC: Elayn Hunt Correctional Center*
  - *LCIW: Louisiana Correctional Institute for Women*
  - *LSP: Louisiana State Penitentiary*
  - *DCI: Dixon Correctional Institute*
  - *DWCC: David Wade Correctional Center*
  - *RCC: B.B. Rayburn Correctional Center*
  - *RLCC: Raymond Laborde Correctional Center*

- *Cause of Death Project Coding: Medical*

** Additional source material includes, where relevant, publicly available data, press releasees, coroner's reports, media, and federal reporting.

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**CASE:** 2025-0348

**PARISH:** Franklin

## AUTOPSY REPORT

**NAME OF DECEDENT:** Roger Richardson

**RACE:** Black **SEX:** Male **AGE:** 51 years

**DATE OF EXAMINATION:** July 7, 2025

**FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST:** Frank J. Peretti, MD

## FINDINGS



**CAUSE OF DEATH:** Hypertensive Arteriosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease.

**CONTRIBUTORY FACTOR:** Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease; Obesity.

**MANNER OF DEATH:** Natural.

**SUMMARY AND INTERPRETATION:**

Investigation of the circumstances of death revealed that the decedent was an inmate at the Franklin Detention Center when he went to lie down and take a nap. He was subsequently found pulseless. He was transported to the Franklin Medical Center where he was pronounced dead. Reportedly, his medical history was [redacted] There was no evidence of foul play reported at the scene.

[redacted]

**The facts stated herein are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.**

Frank J. Peretti, MD
Forensic Pathologist

Date

# Franklin Parish Coroner's Office

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## Permit By Coroner For Autopsy

Under the provisions of Louisiana law R.S. 33:1563, in my opinion it is advisable and is the public interest that an autopsy be performed on the body of:

Roger Richardson (Name), 51 (Age), Black (Race), male (Sex)

Who died on July 3, 2025 (Date), 1851 (Time), 2106 Loop Road (Physical Address)

Winnsboro (City), Louisiana, 71295 (Zip) under the following circumstances:

_____ Violent
_____ Sudden, when in apparent health
_____ Unattended by physician
_____ Custody of law
_____ Suspicious, unusual or unnatural manner
_____ Disease which might threaten public health
_____ Possibly drug related

_____ Natural
_____ Accident
_____ Suicide
_____ Homicide
✓ Undetermined
_____ Pending

Narrative Summary

Decedent came in to ER with CPR in progress. He layed down for a nap around 1500 at Franklin Parish Detention Center. Decedent had not waken by 1720. Staff noticed he was apneic and pulseless. CPR immediatly started and AED applied. Resusitation efforts continued while at Franklin Medical Center. until 1821. History of [redacted] Autopsy per age and unknown.

Authority is hereby given to Dr. Frank Peretti in Little Rock, Arkansas to perform such autopsy upon the body of the decedent named herein.

July 3, 2025
(Date)

Sandy Miller
(Signature of Investigator for Franklin Parish)

Joel Eldridge DO
(Signature of Coroner of Franklin Parish)