Record of Death

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Name: Joseph Melbert

DOC #: 711129

Race / Ethnicity: Black or African American / Unknown

Gender: Male

Age / Birth Year: 55 / 1969

Date of Birth:

First Admission Date to DOC: 3/14/2016

Sentence: 29 years, 11 months

Facility: Local Southwest Correctional Center

Date of Death: 1/15/2025

Time of Death: 4:15

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

Expected / Unexpected: Unexpected

Autopsy Required: Yes

Circumstances of Death (LCLE): Pending autopsy

Coroner Report Information:

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.