



Hernando County Sheriff's Office

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Media Release

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Re: Detention Center Inmate Dies

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Gary Jeffrey Roberts W/M DOB/06-18-1986 was arrested by Hernando County deputies on 02-03-17 for Failure to Appear. Roberts was transported to the Hernando County Detention Center.

While under the care of the Hernando County Detention Center medical staff and physician, Roberts suffered a medical episode and was transported to Bayfront Health Brooksville, where he was pronounced deceased shortly after arrival.

The Office of Sheriff:

The Office of the Sheriff is established by the Florida Constitution. As a constitutional officer, the Sheriff has the exclusive authority to administer his or her agency and is responsible for preserving the peace throughout the entire county, carrying out the laws of the state, the orders of Florida courts, and the ordinances of the Board of County Commissioners. The Sheriff is the chief law enforcement and correctional officer of the county.

Sheriff Al Nienhuis was initially appointed as the Sheriff of Hernando County by the Governor in January of 2011. He was then elected by the people of Hernando County in 2012, and remains accountable to them.