

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Detainee Death Report: HERNANDEZ, Jeffry (aka HERNANDEZ, Roxana)

General Demographic/Background Information

Date of Birth: February 18, 1985Date of Death: May 25, 2018

Age: 33Sex: Male

Gender: Transgender womanCountry of Citizenship: Honduras

Marital Status: SingleChildren: None reported

Immigration History

- On October 6, 2005, Ms. HERNANDEZ was encountered entering the United States illegally, was apprehended, and granted a Voluntary Return to Mexico.
- On April 25, 2009, Ms. HERNANDEZ was encountered by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) officers during the routine performance of Criminal Alien Program (CAP) duties. Ms. HERNANDEZ had been arrested by the Dallas Police Department for Prostitution. Due to Ms. HERNANDEZ'S immigration status, ICE placed a detainer on her and on May 13, 2009, she was transported to the Dallas Field Office for identification and a background check. Ms. HERNANDEZ requested and was granted a Voluntary Return (witnessed on May 20, 2009).
- On January 23, 2014, Ms. HERNANDEZ was encountered by a Border Patrol Agent in Laredo, Texas and arrested for unlawful entry into the U.S.
- On March 7, 2014, Ms. HERNANDEZ was apprehended upon release from the Houston Federal Detention Center (federal prison). She was issued an I-200 (Warrant for Arrest of Alien) and an I-286 (Notice of Custody Determination) to remain in ICE custody pending removal and was removed via Expedited Removal on March 11, 2014.
- On May 9, 2018, Ms. HERNANDEZ applied for admission to the United States from Mexico at the San Ysidro Port of Entry. At this time, she was in the custody of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP).
- On May 14, 2018, ICE ERO took custody of Ms. HERNANDEZ and booked her into the San Luis Regional Detention Center (SLRDC), San Luis, Arizona.
- On May 15, 2018, ERO transferred Ms. HERNANDEZ from SLRDC to the El Paso Processing Center (EPC), El Paso, Texas.
- On May 16, 2018, ERO transferred Ms. HERNANDEZ from EPC to the Cibola County Correctional Center (CCCC).

Criminal History

- On April 8, 2006, Ms. HERNANDEZ was convicted of larceny (NCIC 2399).
- On July 11, 2008, Ms. HERNANDEZ was convicted of prostitution (NCIC 4004).
- On May 12, 2009, Ms. HERNANDEZ was convicted of prostitution (NCIC 4004).
- On January 27, 2014, Ms. HERNANDEZ was convicted of Entry Without Inspection under 8 U.S.C. § 1325(a)(1) and sentenced to 45 days confinement.



Medical History

- On May 17, 2018, a registered nurse (RN) completed Ms. HERNANDEZ's intake screening. The RN noted a history of human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) without treatment and Hepatitis A. Ms. HERNANDEZ reported a persistent cough and weight loss. The RN referred Ms. HERNANDEZ to a medical provider for further evaluation. The physician (MD) evaluated Ms. HERNANDEZ and diagnosed untreated HIV, dehydration, starvation, and fever with cough. The MD ordered ground transport to Cibola General Hospital (CGH) for further evaluation and treatment. The CGH emergency department (ED) MD ordered multiple laboratory and radiology diagnostic studies. Ms. HERNANDEZ was diagnosed with septic shock, anemia, dehydration, HIV infection, lymphadenopathy, nodular pulmonary disease, and thrombocytopenia. The ED MD ordered air ambulance transportation to the Lovelace Medical Center (LMC) in Albuquerque, NM.
- On May 18, 2018, LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ was stable and admitted to an intensive care unit (ICU) for tuberculosis (TB) isolation. Ms. HERNANDEZ developed an appetite, and was provided with meals and oral fluids, which she tolerated well. Further diagnostic studies were begun.
- On May 19, 2018, LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ remained stable, but had developed a fever of 104.0. A computed tomography (CT) scan showed an enlarged spleen, which was concerning for T-cell lymphoma. The CD4 count (or T-cell count; a primary indicator of HIV progression) was 189 (a reading below 200 is serious in that the ability to fight HIV and associated infections is significantly decreased).
- On May 22, 2018, LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ had run a fever up to 102.0 most of
 the day and had lost her appetite. Her IV antibiotic therapy was evaluated and a new
 antibiotic therapy protocol was prescribed.
- On May 23, 2018, LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ had run a fever most of the day and was tachycardic (rapid heart rate).
- On May 24, 2018, LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ was in critical condition. A chest x-ray revealed small, bilateral pleural effusions (excess fluid surrounding the lung, causing difficulty breathing). LMC performed a thoracentesis (procedure to remove the pleural effusions). LMC intubated Ms. HERNANDEZ and placed her on a mechanical ventilator. Later in the evening, Ms. HERNANDEZ developed bradycardia (slow heart rate), which changed to pulseless electrical activity (when the heart shows a rhythm on a cardiac monitor, but the heart is not pumping blood). Cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) began immediately and Ms. HERNANDEZ was revived. Ms. HERNANDEZ then developed supraventricular tachycardia (rapid heart rate originating outside the heart's ventricles) that was not responsive to treatment.

Synopsis of Death

- On May 25, 2018, at 1:30 a.m., LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ was experiencing cardiopulmonary arrest every few minutes, and had minimal brain activity. At 3:32 a.m., LMC reported Ms. HERNANDEZ had been pronounced dead.
- As of December 7, 2018, the autopsy is still pending.