



U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)
Detainee Death Report: NGUYEN, Nhon

General Demographic/Background Information

- **Date of Birth:** January 1, 1970
- **Date of Death:** April 16, 2025
- **Age:** 55
- **Gender:** Male
- **Country of Citizenship:** Vietnam
- **Marital Status:** N/A
- **Children:** N/A

Immigration History

On July 14, 1983, Mr. NGUYEN entered the United States, at Albuquerque, New Mexico, as a Legal Permanent Resident.

On September 15, 2004, ICE ERO's Criminal Alien Program encountered Mr. NGUYEN at the San Quentin State Prison (SQSP) in San Quentin, CA, and lodged an Immigration Detainer.

On November 12, 2013, ICE ERO arrested and served Mr. NGUYEN with a Notice to Appear as an alien convicted of an aggravated felony: crime of violence, and detained him at the Yuba County Jail, located in Marysville, CA.

On December 10, 2013, an immigration judge in San Francisco, CA, ordered Mr. NGUYEN removed to Vietnam, but ICE ERO was unable to remove Mr. NGUYEN at that time due to the Vietnam government's refusal to issue travel documents.

On February 24, 2025, ERO El Paso served Mr. NGUYEN with a Warrant of Arrest (I-200) and Notice of Custody Determination (I-286) and detained him at the El Paso Processing Center (EPC).

Criminal History

On September 10, 1991, the Superior Court of California, county of Orange, convicted Mr. NGUYEN of murder under California Penal code Section 187(A) and sentenced him to 15 years to life in prison.

Synopsis of Events

On February 25, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN received a medical intake assessment at EPC and his vital signs were normal, however, the assessment could not be completed due to his altered mental status (AMS) and disorientation. Mr. NGUYEN ambulated with an abnormal gait, displayed weakness, and was unable to answer any questions, including his medical history. Mr. NGUYEN was referred to the University Medical Center (UMC), in El Paso, TX, for further evaluation.

On February 26, 2025, UMC transferred Mr. NGUYEN to the Long-Term Acute Care (LTAC) Hospital, in El Paso, TX, for continued care related to his AMS, confusion, and need for assistance with Activities of Daily Living (ADLs).



Between February 27 and March 12, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN remained admitted to LTAC Hospital, and his medical condition remained unchanged.

On March 13, 2025, a review of Mr. NGUYEN's discharge from LTAC Hospital showed a computed tomography (CT) scan impression of brain atrophy and small-vessel ischemic changes of the brain. Mr. NGUYEN's vital signs were stable, and his AMS was noted. Mr. NGUYEN was admitted to the EPC medical housing unit (MHU) for observation and care.

- **On the same day**, Mr. NGUYEN's MHU admission note documented his inability to answer questions, continued AMS, inability to feed himself or use the bathroom independently, and need for full assistance with ADLs. Mr. NGUYEN was referred back to UMC for further evaluation.

Between March 14 and 25, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN remained admitted to UMC, and his medical condition did not change.

On March 26, 2025, UMC transferred Mr. NGUYEN to LTAC Hospital for continued care.

Between March 27 and April 4, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN remained admitted to LTAC Hospital where an LTAC Hospital physician noted an assessment of progressive dementia.

On April 2, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN's attorney notified ERO El Paso of Mr. NGUYEN's family members' inability to take custody of Mr. NGUYEN or care for him.

On April 5, 2025, Mr. NGUYEN returned to EPC after his assessment at LTAC Hospital and his stable vital signs and continued AMS were noted. Mr. NGUYEN was placed in the MHU for observation and care. Mr. NGUYEN's LTAC Hospital diagnosis was acute encephalopathy, hyperactive delirium with possible vascular dementia.

On April 7, 2025, an evaluation of Mr. NGUYEN showed continued AMS and the need for assistance with ADLs. Mr. NGUYEN was returned to LTAC Hospital for a higher level of care.

Between April 8 and 15, 2025, LTAC Hospital staff reported Mr. NGUYEN's diagnosis of AMS, dementia, agitation, stage II pressure ulcer, and maximum assistance required for all ADLs. Hospital staff reported placing Mr. NGUYEN on a BiPAP machine due to respiratory distress, and the hospital staff prepared to transfer him to hospice for end-of-life care.

On April 14, 2025, the attending physicians at LTAC Hospital issued a Do-Not-Resuscitate order for Mr. NGUYEN due to his terminal condition.

On April 16, 2025, at 1:34 p.m., LTAC Hospital medical staff pronounced Mr. NGUYEN deceased.