

Richmond City Sheriff's Office Sheriff C. T. Woody, Jr.



PRESS RELEASE

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NOTICE OF INMATE DEATH

Richmond, Virginia – Today, Sheriff Woody released the following information regarding the death of an inmate. All next of kin has been properly notified of the death, and a joint investigation has been commenced and is currently on-going with the Richmond Police Department.

On Tuesday, December 20, 2016 at approximately 10:50am, jail resident Trevino L. Mitchell was found unresponsive in the Infirmary. Mr. Mitchell seen walking upright from his bed to the private bathroom section of the Infirmary with no visible signs of physical distress. A deputy conducting a security check discovered Mr. Mitchell still seated on the toilet apparently suffering from a medical situation. The medical department responded and immediately rendered medical treatment and began life saving measures. Mr. Mitchell was pronounced deceased. The Richmond Police Department was notified, and a joint investigation into the death began immediately. At this time, we are currently waiting for the complete results of the preliminary autopsy report and a toxicology report from the Office of the Medical Examiner in order to determine the exact cause of death.

Trevino L. Mitchell was committed to the Richmond City Justice Center on December 13, 2016 without bond on 2 felony charges of Possession of a Controlled Substance with the Intent to Distribute.

The Richmond City Sheriff's Office is responsible for maintaining a secure jail and a safe court system, along with seamless inmate transport and civil process to preserve public safety. We remain committed to performing these duties with unsurpassed integrity and professionalism, with progressive training that incorporates best practices and technology. While partnering with the community, we strive to lower recidivism by providing faith-based and community-based programming that empowers ex-offenders to become productive members of society.