

# NEWS RELEASE

## DELAWARE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

### Commissioner Monroe B. Hudson, Jr.

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## DOC announces non-COVID inmate death

**Dover, DE --** The Delaware Department of Correction (DOC) today announced that **Keith M. Handy**, a 57 year-old inmate from James T. Vaughn Correctional Center died at Bayhealth Hospital, Kent Campus on Thursday, September 9.

Handy has been in and out of hospital care for several months receiving treatment for ongoing chronic medical conditions. Most recently, Handy was admitted to Bayhealth Hospital, Kent Campus in mid-August for in-patient treatment. His condition continued to deteriorate and Handy was pronounced dead by hospital staff at 12:22 a.m. on September 9.

Handy, of Wilmington, DE has been in DOC custody since 2011 and was serving a 35-year prison sentence for multiple counts of Unlawful Sexual Contact with a Child. His body was released to the Delaware Division of Forensic Science to determine cause of death.

If you are a crime victim in need of assistance, you are encouraged to call DOC Victim Services at 302-857-5440.

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