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DOC announces non-COVID inmate death

Wilmington, DE – The Delaware Department of Correction (DOC) today announced the death of Robert Wyre, a 64-year-old inmate from Howard R. Young Correctional Institution (HRYCI) in Wilmington.

On Monday, March 13, 2023 at approximately 10:26 a.m. Correctional Officers received an alert that Wyre was experiencing a medical emergency in his cell. A facility medical alert was issued, medical and security staff immediately responded, found Wyre unresponsive and initiated lifesaving measures. Emergency Medical Services paramedics arrived and continued lifesaving measures. Wyre was pronounced dead on-site at HRYCI by emergency medical responders at 10:51 a.m. on March 13.

Delaware State Police were notified of Wyre's death and are conducting an independent death investigation. Wyre's body was turned over to the Division of Forensic Science to determine cause of death.

Wyre, of Middletown, DE has been in DOC custody since January 8, 2023 and was being held as a detentioner in lieu of \$2,000 bail on charges of Terroristic Threatening and Noncompliance with Conditions of Recognizance Bond.

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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