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DOC announces inmate death

Smyrna DE – The Delaware Department of Correction (DOC) today announced the death of **George Ruh**, a 67 year-old inmate from James T. Vaughn Correctional Center (JTVCC).

At approximately 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, June 8 Ruh was found to be disoriented during a routine security check of his housing area. Medical staff responded and assisted in transporting Ruh to the prison infirmary for observation. While in the infirmary, Ruh became unresponsive and life-saving measures were initiated by facility medical staff. Emergency Medical Services Paramedics arrived and continued lifesaving measures. Those measures were unsuccessful and Ruh was pronounced dead in the JTVCC infirmary by Bayhealth Hospital Kent Campus via on-site Paramedics at 7:26 a.m. on June 8. His body was turned over to the Division of Forensic Science to determine cause of death.

Ruh, of Blades, DE had been in DOC custody since 2007 and was serving a prison sentence of Life plus 33 years for Rape 1st Degree, Possession of a Firearm During the Commission of a Felony, and Possession of a Deadly Weapon by a Person Prohibited.

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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