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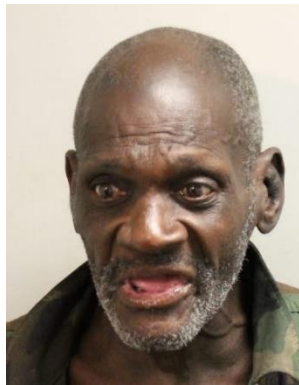
LCSO Investigating Death at Detention Facility

On November 23, 2020, at around 3:30 A.M., deputies working in the Leon County Detention Facility located an inmate, 66-year-old Melvin Richardson, unresponsive inside his cell. Life saving measures were attempted, but Richardson was pronounced deceased shortly after.

Richardson was in his cell alone. There is no foul play suspected at this time. Preliminary details suggest Richardson's death was of natural causes due to past medical history.

This remains an active investigation pending a final autopsy report.

Richardson had been incarcerated in the LCDF since July 23, 2020 on a felony battery charge.



Deceased: Melvin Richardson

AGE: 66



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