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Federal Correctional Institution
Terre Haute, Indiana

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Death at FCI Terre Haute

TERRE HAUTE, IN: On Monday, February 9, 2026, at approximately 10:40 a.m., Caleb Allen Root was found unresponsive at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Terre Haute, Indiana.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Root was transported by EMS to a local hospital and was subsequently pronounced deceased by hospital personnel.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation was notified.

No employees or other incarcerated individuals were injured and at no time was the public in danger.

Mr. Root was a 45-year-old male who was sentenced in the Northern District of Iowa to a 120-month sentence for Possession of a Firearm by a Felon, Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance Marijuana, Possession with Intent to Distribute a Controlled Substance Methamphetamine, and Possession of Firearm in Furtherance of a Drug Trafficking Crime. He had been in custody at FCI Terre Haute since June 26, 2025.

FCI Terre Haute is a medium-security facility.

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