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Federal Correctional Institution
Sheridan, Oregon

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Death at FCI Sheridan

SHERIDAN, OR: On Sunday, June 28, 2026, at approximately 7:30 p.m., Franklin Earl Lawrence Jr. was found unresponsive at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Sheridan in Sheridan, Oregon.

Responding employees initiated life-saving measures. Emergency medical services (EMS) were requested while life-saving efforts continued. Mr. Lawrence was subsequently pronounced deceased by EMS 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. Lawrence was a 53-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of North Carolina to an aggregate sentence of 141-months for Bank Robbery, and Brandishing a Firearm During, in Relation to & in Furtherance of a Crime of Violence. He had been in custody at FCI Sheridan since December 9, 2025.

FCI Sheridan is a medium security facility.

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