



**U.S. Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Prisons**

---

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**  
June 24, 2020

Contact: Office of Public Affairs  
202-514-6551

**Inmate Death at FCI Butner (Low)**

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Tuesday, June 2, 2020, Norman F. Grimm, Jr., tested positive for COVID-19. On Thursday, June 4, 2020, he was evaluated by institutional medical staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner (Low), in Butner, North Carolina, for issues relating to worsening COVID-19 symptoms with hypoxia and possible pneumonia. He was transported the same day to a local hospital for treatment and further evaluation. On Sunday, June 7, 2020, his condition declined and he was placed on a ventilator. On Wednesday, June 24, 2020, Mr. Grimm, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced dead by hospital staff.

Mr. Grimm was a 66-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of New York to a 300-month sentence for Obscene Matter and Production of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at the Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Butner since May 14, 2008.

FCI Butner is a Low security facility that currently houses 1,157 male offenders.

The Bureau of Prisons will continue to provide daily updates and information on actions related to COVID-19 at [www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp](http://www.bop.gov/coronavirus/index.jsp).

Additional information about the Bureau of Prisons can be found at [www.bop.gov](http://www.bop.gov).

###