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Inmate Death at FCI Ashland

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Thursday, November 19, 2020, inmate James Jones tested positive for COVID-19 at Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Ashland in Ashland, Kentucky, and was placed in medical isolation. On Wednesday December 2, 2020, Mr. Jones was transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation due to hypoxia and weakness. On Thursday, December 10, 2020, Mr. Jones, who had long-term pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased.

Mr. Jones was a 79-year-old male who was sentenced in the Eastern District of Texas to a 168-month sentence for Mailing, Transportation, and Shipping of Child Pornography. He had been in custody at FCI Ashland since July 14, 2015.

FCI Ashland is a low security facility that currently houses 969 male inmates.

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.

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