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Inmate Death at FCI Memphis

WASHINGTON, DC: On Sunday, December 20, 2020, inmate Harry Edward Cunningham tested positive for COVID-19 at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Memphis in Memphis, Tennessee, and was placed in medical isolation. On Tuesday, December 29, 2020, in accordance with Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, Mr. Cunningham was converted to a status of recovered following the completion of medical isolation and presenting with no symptoms. On Sunday, January 10, 2021, Mr. Cunningham was evaluated by institution medical staff and subsequently transported to a local hospital for paracentesis for massive ascites. On Tuesday, January 12, 2021, Mr. Cunningham, 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 by hospital staff.

Mr. Cunningham was a 54-year old male who was sentenced in Middle District of Tennessee to a 72-month sentence for Bank Robbery and Hobbs Act Robbery. He had been in custody at FCI Memphis since August 26, 2020.

FCI Memphis is a medium security facility that currently houses 1,036 male offenders.

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