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Inmate Death at USP Leavenworth

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Sunday, January 3, 2021, inmate Steven Brayfield tested positive for COVID-19 at the United States Penitentiary (USP) Leavenworth's satellite camp in Leavenworth, Kansas. He was evaluated by institution medical staff and transported to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation due to a fever. During his hospital admission, his condition continued to decline. On Wednesday, January 13, 2021, he was intubated and placed on a ventilator. On Tuesday, January 19, 2021, Mr. Brayfield, 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. Brayfield was a 63-year-old male who was sentenced in the Western District of Missouri to a 151-month sentence for Possession with Intent to Distribute 50 Grams or More of Methamphetamine, Distributing 5 Grams or More of Methamphetamine, and Using or Maintaining a Building for the Purpose of Distributing Methamphetamine. He had been at USP Leavenworth since October 23, 2019.

USP Leavenworth is a medium security facility with an adjacent minimum security satellite camp, which together currently house 1,535 male offenders.

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