



Jail Death Under Investigation

AMITE (February 10, 2026)- The Tangipahoa Parish Sheriff's Office is investigating the death of an inmate at the jail Monday evening.

Around 5 p.m. on Feb. 9, inmate Ernest Holden, 65, was found dead in bed in a medical observation area of the facility where he had been receiving treatment for abdominal pain since Sunday. Holden had been in jail since December following a drug arrest by Hammond PD.

The TPSO Criminal Investigations Division is actively investigating the circumstances surrounding this death, which will include an autopsy to determine the cause.

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