

**OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER
DISTRICT NINE
2350 E. Michigan Street
Orlando, Florida 32806-4939**

REPORT OF AUTOPSY

DECEDENT: KIMBERLY MORRIS **CASE NUMBER:** ME 2016-000918

MANNER OF DEATH: Homicide **IDENTIFIED BY:** Photo ID

AGE: 37 years
RACE: White

SEX: Female
DATE OF DEATH: June 12, 2016

DATE/TIME OF AUTOPSY: June 12, 2016 @ 3:50 p.m.

PERFORMED BY:

Marie H Hansen MD
Marie H. Hansen, MD, Associate Medical Examiner
August 5, 2016

CAUSE OF DEATH: Multiple gunshot wounds

AUTOPSY FINDINGS

- I. Multiple gunshot wounds with:
 - A. Perforating gunshot wound of chest and abdomen with:
 - 1. Entrance in right back
 - 2. Perforation of overlying undershirt but not overlying T-shirt without soot or powder tattooing on shirt or body
 - 3. Perforation of right lung, heart, esophagus, and left lung as well as left superior lobe of liver
 - 4. Exit anterior left chest
 - 5. No projectiles recovered
 - 6. Overall pathway back to front, right to left, and downward
 - B. Perforating gunshot wound of left elbow with:
 - 1. Entrance anterior left arm without powder tattooing or soot
 - 2. Hemorrhage through muscles and skin of arm

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3. Exit in posterior left elbow
 4. Overall pathway front to back, slightly left to right in anatomic position, and slightly downward
- C. Superficial perforating gunshot wound of right anterior hip with multiple circular 1 mm to 1 cm perforations of the right anterior hip with blackening extending through the skin into the subcutaneous tissues with small pinpoint fragments of metal and possible stippling in the upper portion
1. No distinctive overall pathway or projectiles recovered

TOXICOLOGY ANALYSIS: See laboratory report.

CONCLUSION: In consideration of the circumstances surrounding the death and after examination of the body, it is my opinion that the death of Kimberly Morris, a 37-year-old white female, is the result of multiple gunshot wounds.

The manner of death is homicide.

The autopsy of the body of Kimberly Morris is performed pursuant to Florida Statute 406.11 by Marie H. Hansen, MD, Associate Medical Examiner, District Nine at the Orange County Medical Examiner facility, Orlando, Florida on June 12, 2016 at 3:50 p.m.

IDENTIFICATION: The body of Kimberly Morris is positively visually identified via comparison of decedent to photograph associated with Massachusetts Driver License # S-35683988. The identification is made by Detective Garciapagan, of the Orange County Sheriff's Office, on June 12, 2016 @ 2:30 p.m., at the Orange County Medical Examiner facility.

CLOTHING AND VALUABLES: The body is clothed in a black T-shirt, a black tank undershirt, a black sports bra, turquoise underwear, black pants, black shoes, and two socks. The body is accompanied by a Massachusetts Driver License, a credit card, a keyring with four keys and key fobs on it, a piece of candy, a ChapStick, a cigarette lighter, and a cellphone. The clothing and valuables are turned over to law enforcement.

GENERAL STATEMENT: The body is that of a 71 inch, 182 pound, normally-developed, well-nourished white female appearing consistent with the given age of 37 years. There is full rigor mortis present and dependent non-blanching livor mortis observed.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

The hair of the head is black, 2 inches on the top and ¼ inch on the sides. The irides are brown with equal round pupils bilaterally. There is bilateral Tache noire but the sclerae are otherwise clear. The right earlobe is singly pierced and the left earlobe is doubly pierced. The mouth has a set of natural teeth in good repair.

The neck is unremarkable.

The anterior chest has a tattoo that reads "TAKE ME AS I AM" across the clavicles and symmetric breasts that are without palpable masses. The nipples are without crusting or ulceration. The abdomen is soft with a tattoo of a tree with roots on the lateral aspect of the left chest and hip and is otherwise unremarkable except as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury. The genital hair is shaved over the mons pubis and the external genitalia are those of an adult female.

The upper extremities are remarkable for a tattoo of a partially broken heart with Oriental letters over the right lateral shoulder, a tattoo on the inner aspect of the right arm that reads "LOVE. LIFE. BE."

The left upper extremity is remarkable for a tattoo of a sun on the shoulder.

The right lower extremity has a tattoo of a child in a suit on the anterior thigh and a tattoo of monkeys in outfits on the lateral aspect of the right calf. There is a tattoo of a boom box on the anterior right calf and a tattoo on the right medial to posterior aspect that appears to read "HIP IS THE KNOWLEDGE HOP IS THE MOVEMENT." The anterior right knee also has hypopigmented scars over the mid patella and superiorly, medially, and inferiorly on the medial aspect and laterally on the lateral aspect that are ¼ inch in maximal dimension. The left lower extremity is remarkable for a Ying Yang tattoo with waves on the lateral aspect of the left calf. The back is remarkable for a tattoo of a capital "K" with a crown that has five points on it on the posterior right shoulder.

SPECIAL PROCEDURES: Toxicologic analysis: body fluids and tissues consisting of peripheral and right chest blood, bile, urine, and ocular fluid are obtained. Forensic analysis: samples obtained for possible analysis include pulled head hair, fingernail clippings, and a DNA card.

EVIDENCE OF MEDICAL INTERVENTION: None.

EVIDENCE OF INJURY

There are three gunshot wounds to the body. Examination of the overlying clothing and the skin reveals no distinctive areas of soot or powder tattooing.

Gunshot Wound "A":

Gunshot Wound "A" is a perforating gunshot wound of the torso with an entrance in the posterior right chest at a point 10 inches below the top of the shoulder, 6 inches to the right of the midline, through a 5 x 7 mm circular defect with circular 1 mm abrasion. The entrance wound is present in the posterior lateral aspect of the right chest.

The wound is associated with hemorrhage into the muscles of the back and entering the right lateral chest through the T8/T9 interspace, perforating the

right lower lobe of the lung, the esophagus, and the ventricle through a 6 cm laceration from the mid ventricle to the apex of the posterior left ventricle, with laceration of the pericardial sac and perforation of the inferior aspect of the left lower lobe of the lung, laceration of the superior aspect of the left lobe of the liver, and exiting the anterior ribs through ribs 7 – 9 through a 2 x 2½ cm defect in the chest wall.

The wound exits the body through a wound that is present 12 inches below the top of the shoulder and 5 inches to the left of the midline in the upper left abdomen, through a 1.5 x 2 cm defect with superior lateral 1 x 1 cm abrasion, an inferior "V" shaped 2 x 1 cm abrasion with a peripheral 3 mm abrasion with small amounts of gray metallic pinpoint material.

The wound is accompanied by bilateral hemothoraces of 450 cc on the right and 750 cc on the left as well as laceration of the lower lobes of each lung, the heart, and the esophagus.

The overall pathway is therefore back to front, right to left, and downward with no projectile recovered at autopsy. Note: There is an additional contusion of 2 x 1 cm on the posterior right upper hip that may be an accompanying wound to this wound.

Gunshot Wound "B":

Gunshot Wound "B" is a perforating gunshot wound of the left elbow with an entrance wound on the anterior left elbow at a point 13½ inches below the top of the shoulder through a 7 x 5 mm elliptical defect with circular 1 mm abrasion and inferior triangular abrasion on the anterior inferior medial surface of the elbow.

The pathway continues with associated hemorrhage through the muscles and exiting the posterior left elbow through a defect at a point 14½ inches below the aspect of the shoulder via a 1.5 x 1 cm circular defect with posterior tags pointing anteriorly and inferior abrasion, as well as superior abrasion and an additional 1½ cm gap with a linear 2 cm curvilinear contusion that is 1 – 2 mm thick anterior to the elbow.

The overall pathway is therefore front to back, slightly left to right in anatomic position, and slightly downward.

Gunshot Wound "C":

Gunshot Wound "C" is a superficial perforating gunshot wound of the right anterior hip present at a point 14 – 21 inches below the top of the shoulder, from 7 to 6 inches right of the midline over the anterior right hip, through defects that range from 0.5 – 1.0 cm in greatest dimension. They are predominantly elliptical in shape with surrounding blackening and possible stippling on the superior aspect. The wound is accompanied by hemorrhage into the subcutaneous fat but not into the peritoneal cavity or through the muscle and small pinpoint fragments of gray metal can be visualized in the wounds. With the superficial nature, the direction is not recorded.

Examination of the hands reveals no contusions or lacerations. Examination of the posterior right hip reveals 2 x 1 cm area of faint contusion.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION

HEART: The pericardial sac is lacerated. The 270 gram heart has a right anatomic dominant coronary arterial system that on serial section is without significant atherosclerosis. The atria are bilaterally unremarkable, and the foramen ovale is closed. Each of the heart valves has the correct number of thin pliable leaflets or cusps.

The myocardium, except as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury, is 1.3 cm in thickness in the interventricular septum and left ventricular free wall without distinct areas of mottling or scarring.

PERIPHERAL VASCULAR SYSTEM: The aorta is intact through its thoracic and abdominal distribution with a normal orientation of great vessels and no evidence of coarctation or aneurysmal dilatation. The iliac and carotid arteries are likewise unremarkable.

HEAD and BRAIN: There is no subgaleal, epidural, subdural, or subarachnoid hematoma. The leptomeninges are clear with congested vessels over the convexity of the cortex of the 1150 gram brain.

The vessels at the base of the brain that comprise the circle of Willis are thin-walled and without atherosclerosis or aneurysm. Serial coronal sections reveal gray-tan cortical ribbon and diffusely softened white matter with unremarkable

corpus callosum, basal ganglia, hippocampi, and lateral ventricles. The posterior lobes, cerebellum, and brainstem are unremarkable grossly and on section. The substantia nigra has an adequate amount of pigmentation and the crossing fibers in the pons are without areas of hemorrhage or tumor on section.

Stripping of the dura reveals an intact calvarium and base of skull. The pituitary is tan-brown without areas of hemorrhage or tumor on section.

NECK ORGANS: The superficial and deep muscles of the anterior neck are without hematoma. The hyoid bone and thyroid cartilage are intact and the tongue is unremarkable on horizontal section. The epiglottis is without edema or petechiae and the trachea is without occlusion by food or foreign material. Palpation of the anterior cervical vertebral column reveals no evidence of fracture.

LUNGS: There are bilateral hemothoraces as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury. The right and left lungs weigh 310 and 240 grams respectively. The pleural surfaces are tan-pink without petechiae or anthracosis. Except as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury, there are no other areas of pulmonary emboli, tumor, hemorrhage, or distinctive areas of consolidation. The distal tracheobronchial trees are without occlusion by mucus plugging.

LIVER: The 1150 gram liver has an intact capsule except as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury. The non-lacerated liver has a red-brown parenchyma with a lobular architecture and an unremarkable consistency. The gallbladder contains an estimated 1 cc of yellow-green runny bile without gallstones. The mucosa is unremarkable.

RETICULOENDOTHELIAL SYSTEM: The 90 gram spleen has a dull capsule that wrinkles easily. The parenchyma is red-purple and soft without fibrosis, hemorrhage, or tumor on section. The paratracheal lymph nodes are 3-5 mm and red-brown in color. The remaining lymph node chains are grossly unremarkable.

ENDOCRINE SYSTEM: The thyroid gland consists of symmetric, tan lobes that are homogeneous on section. The adrenal glands have bilaterally golden yellow cortices and gray medullae that are without tumor or hemorrhage on section. The pancreas consists of tan-brown lobulated tissue, without interdigitated fat, fibrosis, hemorrhage, tumor, or pseudocyst formation.

GENITOURINARY SYSTEM: The right and left kidneys weigh 100 grams each. The capsules strip easily revealing red-brown cortical surfaces that are smooth and are of normal consistency. The bladder contains an estimated 35 cc of clear yellow fluid.

The uterus, fallopian tubes and ovaries are present. The fallopian tubes and ovaries are unremarkable on section and the endometrial cavity has a 3 mm tan lining without evidence of pregnancy or tumor on section.

GASTROINTESTINAL SYSTEM: The esophageal mucosa is perforated in the mid-level with blackened edges. The stomach is without gastric contents and the underlying rugal folds have a normal arrangement without evidence of antral or duodenal ulceration. The serosal surfaces of the small bowel, appendix, and colon are grossly unremarkable.

MUSCULOSKELETAL SYSTEM: The subcutaneous fat is 4 cm at the umbilicus and the muscle is normally formed. Examination of the clavicles, bilateral rib cages, cervical, thoracic, lumbar, and sacral vertebral column, as well as the pelvic girdle is without evidence of acute injury, except as described in the paragraphs on Evidence of Injury. Examination of the long bones and joints of the upper and lower extremities reveals no palpable fracture.

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Patient: MORRIS, KIMBERLY
Client Patient ID: 9-16-918
Physician: HANSEN, MARIE

Age: 37 Sex: F
Account#: VX82892
Client: DISTRICT 9 MEDICAL EXAMINER MISC

TOXICOLOGY

Specimen Collected : 06/12/2016

Lab Order No: 661300969

Reg Date: 06/13/16

Test Name	Result	Units	Cutoff/Reporting Limits
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VOLATILE PANEL - VOLP

SPECIMEN TYPE

PERIPHERAL BLOOD

ETHANOL	NONE DETECTED	g/dL	0.010
ACETONE	NONE DETECTED	mg/dL	7.5
METHANOL	NONE DETECTED	mg/dL	15.0
ISOPROPANOL	NONE DETECTED	mg/dL	15.0

Analysis by Gas Chromatography (GC) Headspace Injection

BLOOD DRUG SCREEN - BDSME

SPECIMEN TYPE

PERIPHERAL BLOOD

GC/MS

BUPROPION METABOLITES, NICOTINE

LC/MS/MS

BUPROPION, AMITRIPTYLINE, NORTRIPTYLINE, SERTRALINE

BLOOD IMMUNOASSAY SCREEN

AMPHETAMINES	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.100
BARBITURATES	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.100
BENZODIAZEPINES	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.050
BUPRENORPHINE	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.001
CANNABINOIDS	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.050
COCAINE METABOLITE	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.100
FENTANYL	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.001
OPIATES	NEGATIVE	mg/L	0.050
SALICYLATES	NEGATIVE	mg/L	50.0

Specimens were intact upon receipt. Chain of custody, specimen security and integrity has been maintained. Testing has been performed as requested

Reviewed by: [Signature] Date: 7/26/16

FINAL REPORT - THIS COMPLETES REPORTING ON THIS CASE

INSTANT REPORT

MORRIS, KIMBERLY

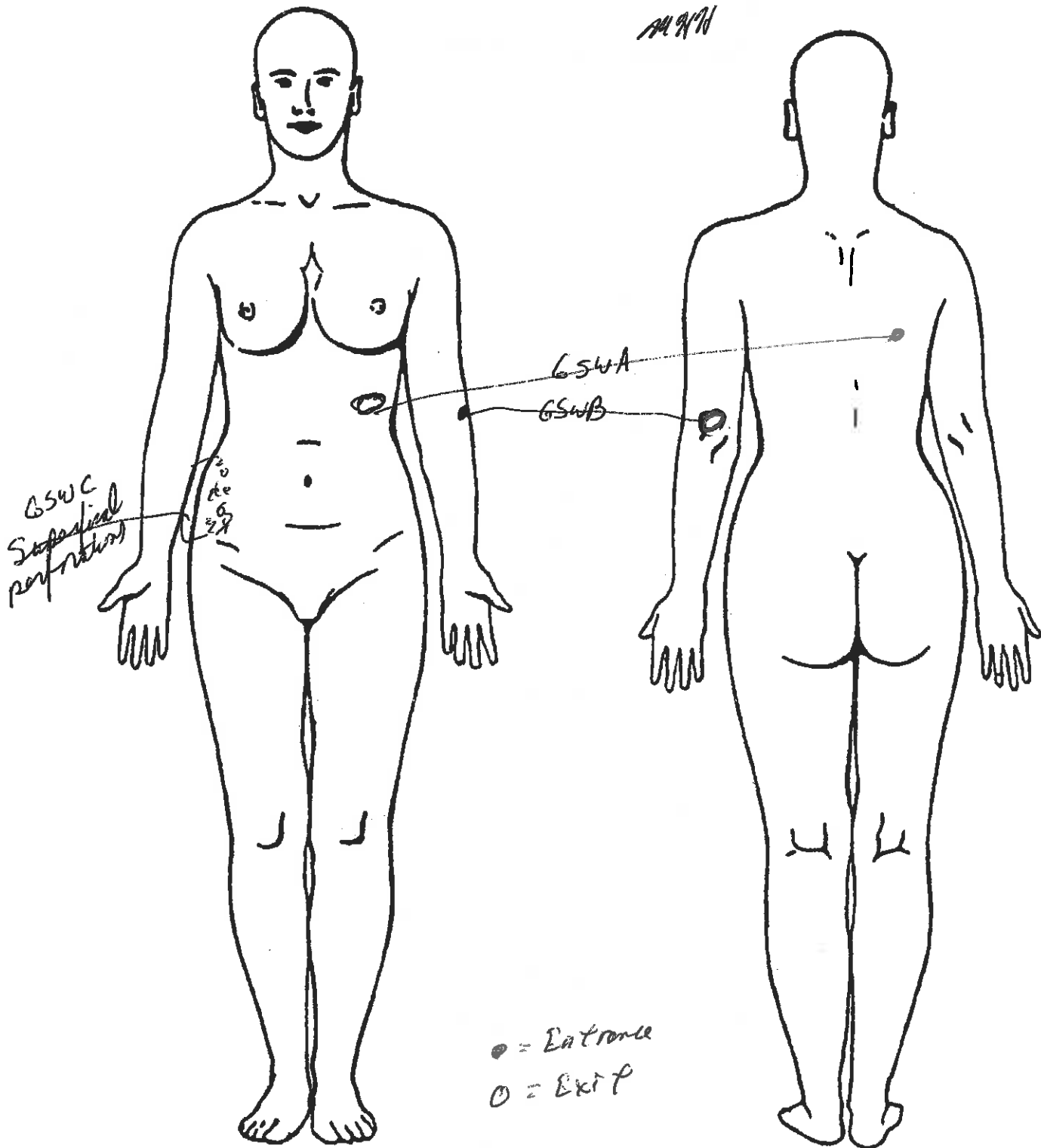
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Morris, Kimberly

37 Years - F

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