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The Nevada Department of Corrections (NDOC) reports that on Monday, June 20, 2016, at approximately 5:52 pm, Inmate Richard Wayne Petrarca, #18926, died at Valley Hospital in Las Vegas, Nevada. He had been housed at High Desert State Prison located approximately 30 miles north of Las Vegas, in the Infirmary prior to his stay in the hospital. Inmate Petrarca, a 64 year old male, was committed from Churchill County on May 27, 2008. Petrarca was serving 96 to 240 months for Attempted Sexual Assault. The Clark County Coroner's Office responded and an autopsy is being scheduled per NRS 209.3815. Next of kin have been notified.



Richard Wayne Petrarca

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