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Update on In-Custody Death:

Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office Releases Resident's Identity

(CHARLOTTE, NC) – Following completion of next of kin notification, the Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO), is releasing the name of the resident who died in custody while being housed at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center-Central (MCDCC) on August 6, 2025.

The deceased has been identified as 38-year-old Miguel Gonzalez-Rasalas (PID: 504172).

Requests for Mr. Gonzalez-Rasalas' health information may not be disclosed as it is protected by the Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA).

Miguel Gonzalez-Rasalas was processed into custody at MCDCC on April 9, 2023. The State Bureau of Investigation (SBI) is still conducting their investigation while the medical examiner will determine the cause of death.

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