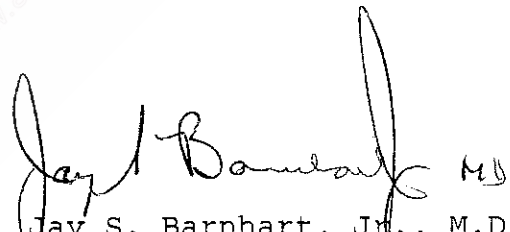


THE DADE COUNTY MEDICAL EXAMINER DEPARTMENT, Miami, Florida

Name.MATIX, William....April 11, 1986...8:30 p.m.....Case No. 86-0968

CAUSE OF DEATH:

Multiple Gunshot Wounds

  
Jay S. Barnhart, Jr., M.D.  
Associate Medical Examiner

Date: 4/25/86

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## IDENTIFICATION:

The deceased is identified on April 11, 1986 at 9:00 p.m. by a business partner for two (2) years, Timothy L. Platt, 12209 S.W. 14th Lane, #1403, Miami, Florida, 591-3324.

## EXTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The body is that of a well-developed and well-nourished, 5 foot 11 inch, 180 pound white male whose appearance is consistent with the given age of 34 years. The scalp has brown hair with central thinning. A vertically oriented, 1 x 1/4 inch laceration is over the front of the forehead. No blood is in the ear canals. The conjunctivae have no petechiae and the irides are blue and the pupils are round and equal and 4 millimeters in diameter. The nasal septum is intact. The face is clean shaven and has a red, 1 inch long mustache. The mouth contains a partial upper and lower plate. The neck is straight. Three electrocardiographic monitoring pads are on the anterior thorax. The abdomen is flat and has a 6 inch long, right lower quadrant scar. The external genitalia are unremarkable. The lower extremities are symmetrical. The upper extremities have no scars. A U.S. Marine Corps tattoo is on the right forearm. A fresh 1/8 inch abrasion is over the front of the right upper arm. A 1/4 inch x 1/2 inch fresh, superficial abrasion is on the extensor aspect of the left forearm, 8 inches above the wrist. A cluster of fresh abrasions measuring 2 inches in diameter is over the lumbar region of the back.

## SIX GUNSHOT WOUNDS ARE IDENTIFIED:

## GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE FACE "A":

On the right side of the jaw just below lateral aspect of the right side of the lower lip is a vertically oriented, 2 inch x 1/2 inch irregular, ragged hole. It has a 1/32 inch uniform margin of abrasion inferiorly, medially, and laterally and a 1/4 inch abrasion superiorly. Over the front of the face from the forehead to the chin is a 4 inch x 6 inch area of linear and punctate superficial abrasions. This projectile pathway passes through the right side of the lower jaw, the submandibular gland, and then between the trachea and the carotid sheath. A moderately deformed, medium caliber, soft lead alloy projectile is recovered from the right lateral aspect of C-7. It is placed in an appropriately labelled evidence envelope. Its pathway is from front to back and downward. It does not penetrate the spinal canal.

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## GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE ANTEROLATERAL NECK "B":

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 1/18/96 A gunshot wound is located on the right side of the neck, mid way between the chin and shoulder. It is composed of a 1/2 x 1/4 of an inch irregular lacerated hole and is not surrounded by stippling, smudging, or muzzle imprint. It passes through the right sternocleidomastoid muscle, the right subclavian vessels, ~~the right first rib anteriorly,~~ and the right first rib posteriorly. A markedly deformed, medium caliber, soft lead alloy projectile is recovered free within the right pleural space. It is placed in an appropriately labelled evidence envelope. Its direction is from front to back and is associated with 900 cubic centimeters of clotted and unclotted blood in the right pleural space.

## GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE FACE "C":

A gunshot entrance wound is located on the right cheek just below and lateral to the right eye. It is composed of a 1/2 inch in diameter hole which has an irregular 1/8 to 1/4 inch marginal abrasion. It passes through the right facial bones, right side of the mandible, submaxillary salivary gland, right prevertebral space, right paravertebral muscles, lateral processes and lamina of C-7, and transects the spinal cord at T-1. A markedly deformed medium caliber projectile is recovered from the spinal cord at the T-1 level. It is photographed and placed in an evidence envelope. Its direction is from right to left, and above downward.

## GUNSHOT FRAGMENT WOUND OF THE LEFT CHEEK "D":

A 1/4 inch in diameter, irregular hole is in the left nasolabial fold in its mid portion. It is not surrounded by stippling, soot deposition or muzzle imprint. It has a 1/16 inch irregular marginal abrasion. It passes through the left facial bones and into the region of the left maxillary sinus. Markedly deformed small lead fragments are recovered from the left premaxillary soft tissues and from within the maxillary sinus. Its direction is from front to back.

## GUNSHOT WOUND OF RIGHT FOREARM "E":

A gunshot entrance wound is located on the extensor aspect of the right forearm, 1 inch above the wrist. It is composed of a 3/8 inch in diameter circular hole with a 1/16 inch uniform marginal abrasion. It is not surrounded by stippling, soot, or muzzle imprint. It passes through the soft tissues of the volar aspect of the forearm and exits on the radial side, 2 inches above the wrist as a 1 1/2 x 1/2 inch irregularly lacerated hole. No projectile fragments are recovered. With the hand in the anatomic position its direction is from medial to lateral and

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distal to proximal. It transects the vascular structures on the ulnar side of the wrist.

#### GUNSHOT WOUND OF THE RIGHT SIDE OF THE FACE "F":

A gunshot entrance wound is located on the right side of the face, 1 inch in front of the ear canal. It is composed of a 3/4 inch in diameter irregularly lacerated hole with an irregular 1/16 inch to 1/8 inch marginal abrasion. It passes through the right facial bones and maxillary sinus. Multiple, markedly deformed gray metallic fragments are recovered from the superficial and deep soft tissues and bone. These are photographed and placed into an appropriately labeled evidence envelope. There is an associated fracture in the right middle cranial fossa, with contusion of the under surface of the temporal pole of the brain. The direction of this wound is from right to left and downward.

#### INTERNAL EXAMINATION:

The soft tissue and bone underlying the scalp have no evidence of trauma. The cerebrospinal fluid surrounding the 1540 gram brain is clear and colorless. A 1 1/2 inch in diameter contusion is over the tip of the inferior surface of the right temporal pole associated with gunshot wound "F". No abnormalities are noted upon sectioning.

The 380 gram heart is unremarkable externally and on sectioning.

The 280 gram right lung is collapsed and surrounded by a 900 cubic centimeter collection of clotted and unclotted blood. It has a contusion along its apex and associated with gunshot wound "B" and is otherwise unremarkable.

The 380 gram left lung is fully expanded and unremarkable externally and upon sectioning.

The 1920 gram liver, 130 gram spleen, 160 gram right kidney, and 150 gram left kidney are unremarkable.

The appendix is absent. The gastrointestinal system is unremarkable externally. The stomach contains 100 cubic centimeters of coffee ground-like material.

The bladder contains 100 cubic centimeters of clear yellow urine. The prostate and seminal vesicles and testicles are without abnormality.

The pituitary, thyroid, and adrenals are unremarkable.

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AUTOPSY FINDINGS:

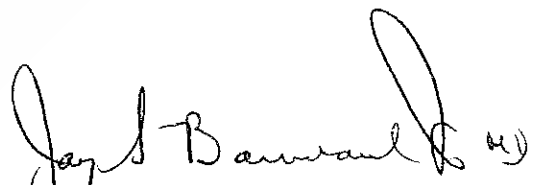
1. Multiple gunshot wounds (6)

- A. Penetrating gunshot wound of right lateral face into neck
- B. Penetrating gunshot wound of right side of neck into thorax with contusion of the right lung and 900 cubic centimeters hemothorax
- C. Penetrating gunshot wound of right cheek into neck with transection of spinal cord at T-1
- D. Penetrating gunshot wound of left of nose with penetration into left maxillary sinus
- E. ~~Penetrating~~ <sup>Perforating 1/18/96</sup> gunshot wound of right distal forearm
- F. ~~Penetrating~~ <sup>or as is 1/18/96</sup> gunshot wound of right lateral face with fracture of right maxillary sinus and middle cranial fossa, and contusion of the right temporal lobe

2. Laceration of the forehead

3. Multiple punctate and linear abrasions of the face

4. Status post, remote appendectomy

  
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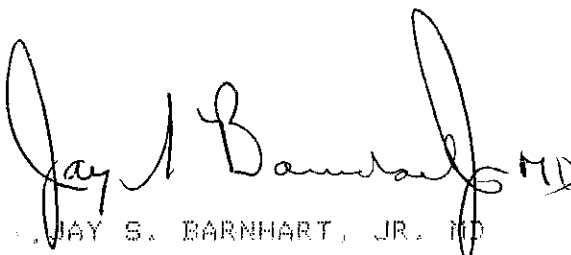
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34                      WHITE                      MALE

HEART BLOOD	DRUGS	NOT DETECTED
HEART BLOOD	VOLATILES	NOT DETECTED
NASAL SWABS	COCAINE	NOT DETECTED
OCULAR FLUID	VOLATILES	NOT DETECTED
URINE	DRUGS	NOT DETECTED



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