



**Richmond City Sheriff's Office**  
**Sheriff C. T. Woody, Jr.**



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## **SHERIFF RELEASES RESULTS OF AUTOPSY INTO THE DEATH OF FORMER RICHMOND INMATE JAVON MORRIS**

**RICHMOND, VA --- Sheriff C.T. Woody, Jr.** today released the results of the Medical Examiner's Final Report of the autopsy and toxicology report in the case of former Richmond inmate Javon Antoine Morris (38). Mr. Morris was one of the three inmates who passed away during a single week in July of this year. As stated in her Final Report, the Medical Examiner has determined Mr. Morris's *Cause of Death* to be *coronary artery atherosclerosis*, and verified the preliminary report of the *Manner of Death*, which was found to be of *natural* causes. Sheriff Woody stated, "We understand the concern as well as the public interest in the results of all three of these autopsy reports. The autopsy reports for Shawn Samuel and Zachary Tuggle are still pending at this time, but we will release those results once the Medical Examiner's reports have been received."

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*The Richmond City Sheriff's Office is responsible for maintaining a secure jail and a safe court system, along with seamless inmate transport and civil process to preserve public safety. We remain committed to performing these duties with unsurpassed integrity and professionalism, with progressive training that incorporates best practices and technology. While partnering with the community, we strive to lower recidivism by providing faith-based and community-based programming that empowers ex-offenders to become productive members of society.*