

New Orleans Police Department  
 SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT

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Offense: First (Where offense occurred) Natural Death Date of offense 6-6-64 Item No. F-3764-64

Offense is declared: Unfounded Cleared by arrest Not cleared  
Partly cleared Cleared by identification

Property is involved, show here, type and value of property recovered, of if the case may be, additional property reported stolen)

	STOLEN	RECOVERED
Currency and negotiables	\$ _____	\$ _____
Jewelry and precious metals	_____	_____
Furs	_____	_____
Clothing	_____	_____
Miscellaneous (Include costume jewelry)	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL VALUE</b>	_____	_____

(FULLY DESCRIBE STOLEN OR RECOVERED PROPERTY (Serial No., Brand, Etc.) under "Details" below.)

DETAILS:

CASE OF: WILLIAM GUY BANNISTER, W, Age 63, formerly residing  
 1031 Moss Street Apartment "B".

We, the undersigned, respectfully report of having been notified by the Coroner's Office that the death of the above mentioned subject had been classified as a Natural Death.

This case is closed and it is being carried on our files as a Natural Death which is in accordance with the classification of the Coroner.

C. Drummond 6-13-64 Det. D. Kent James W. Bruebbe  
 Investigating Officer Date Investigating Officer Date Commanding Officer  
 District or Bureau \_\_\_\_\_ District or Bureau \_\_\_\_\_ District or Bureau HOMICIDE

New Orleans Department of Police  
First District Police Station  
Monday, June 8, 1964  
Item No. F-3764-64, Zone 1st -V-

To : JOSEPH I. GIARRUSSO,  
Superintendent of Police.

From : CAPTAIN JAMES E. ARNOLD,  
Commanding Officer, First District Station.

Subject : Report relative to the death of William Guy Banister,  
WM63, formerly residing 1031 Moss St., Apt. No. B.

SIR:

Patrolmen F. Wilson and F. Hayward, in company with Police Recruit R. Busby reports of receiving a call to investigate a Signal No. 29, death, at 1034 Moss Street, at 7:06 P.M. on June 6, 1964.

On arrival the officers learned that there was no such address, however the officers observed two white females and one white male standing in front of a white frame double house, bearing Municipal No. 1031 Moss St. These persons were waving at the officers and the officers went to this location.

It was learned from the white male, who identified himself as I. E. Nitschke, WM59, residing 5202 Conti Street, Telephone No. 482-2323, a former associate of the deceased, that the Secretary Treasurer of GUY BANISTER ASSOCIATES, Inc., Delphine P. Roberts, WF43, residing 6569 Wureple St., had come to his residence and explained that she thought there was something wrong with Guy Banister. Miss Roberts was also on the scene. Mr. Nitschke further explained that he, his wife and Miss Roberts then drove to Mr. Banister's residence and after getting no response from the door, Mr. Nitschke forced open the door which was locked. He, upon entering discovered the body of Guy Banister laying on the bed, apparently dead. Mr. Nitschke immediately telephoned the police.

The officers on entering the apartment bearing No. B, which is located on the ground floor of the building, the door being on the right side of the building and found the deceased clad only in a pair of boxer type shorts, laying on his right side diagonally across the sofa type bed. Mr. Banister was apparently dead.

Officers Wilson and Hayward, after notifying the proper authorities via police radio of the situation, interviewed Miss Delphine Roberts, an associate of the deceased and probably the last person to see him alive. It was learned that Mr. Banister had picked her up at their office at approximately 5:30 P.M. on June 5, 1964, the previous day and drove to her residence where Mr. Banister, Miss Roberts and her mother ate dinner. Mr. Banister complained at this time of not feeling too well and left at approximately 7:00 P.M. for his residence. Miss Roberts stated that she did not hear from Mr. Banister further and on several occasions tried to reach him on June 6, 1964, by telephone, but to no avail. Miss Roberts, concerned about Mr. Banister, after leaving her office, proceeded to this location and finding the door locked, and receiving no response, decided to call on Mr.

Nitschke, a former associate and close friend of Mr. Banister who lived in the vicinity.

Mr. Nitschke stated that Mr. Banister had no relatives in New Orleans, La. to his knowledge, with the exception of an estranged wife.

Sergeant A. Polito, Platoon Commander, arrived on the scene at 7:35 P.M. and supervised the investigation.

Detective Sergeant C. Drumm and Detective D. Kent, of the Homicide Division, Technician George Steib of the E of I, Sam Moran, Special Investigator for the Orleans Parish Coroner's Office arrived on the scene, and conducted their investigation.

Dr. Nicholas Chetta, Orleans Parish Coroner arrived on the scene at 8:00 P.M. and pronounced Mr. Banister dead, at 8:02 P.M.

Sam Moran removed the following property from the trouser pockets of the deceased, which were laying on a small table beside the bed:

- 1- Black handled switch blade knife, approximately 4 " closed.
- 28- \$10.00 bills
- 5- \$1.00 bills.
- 6- \$ .05 coins.
- 1- \$ .01 coin.
- 1- 30 calibre cartridge, live.

The following property was removed from the apartment of Mr. Banister by Sam Moran:

- 1- 30 Calibre bolt action rifle.
- 2- Over and under shot guns, make and calibre unknown.

The body was transported to the City Morgue, in the Coroner's Wagon chauffeured by O. Mills.

Bulletin sent.

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Respectfully submitted,

*Frank Wilson*  
Patrolman F. Wilson

*Frank Hayward*  
Patrolman F. Hayward

Approved:

*James H. Arnold*  
Captain James H. Arnold  
Commanding Officer,  
First District Station.