

97-1355/121

Handwritten notes in a circle: 3/17/97, 10:24

**DEFENDER ASSOCIATION
OF PHILADELPHIA**

ELLEN T. GREENLEE
Defender

70 North 17th Street
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19103
(215) 568-3190

March 31, 1997

Ms. Lorna Hawkins-Bell
Office of the Medical Examiner
Record Room
321 University Avenue
Philadelphia, Pa. 19104

RE: Commonwealth v. Armin Evans
M.C. #97-03-2564-65
Decedent: Roseann Young

Dear Ms. Hawkins-Bell:

Our office has been appointed to represent the above-captioned defendant, who has been charged with homicide. Based on the information we have received from the District Attorney's Office, Roseann Young died on March 22, 1997. Could you please forward to our office a copy of the complete case file, including but not limited to the Medical Examiner's Report in this case.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Sylvia Padilla
SYLVIA PADILLA
Homicide Unit Secretary

/sp

RECEIVED
APR 2 1997

Looney

S- 4/21/97



City of Philadelphia
 OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
 321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
 DEATH CERTIFICATE INFORMATION

N.E. CASE No.
 97-1355
 Young, Roseann
 POLICE FILE No.
 DATE REPORTED
 03/23/97 6:42pm/ETS

NAME OF DECEASED (First Middle Last)	AGE	RACE	SEX
Roseann Young	24	Black	Female

Alias: March 22 1997 Unidentified

[1] Name.....Roseann Young
 [4] Date of Death.....22 Mar 97 7:50pm
 [9b] County of Death.....Philadelphia
 [9c] City of Death.....Philadelphia
 [9d] Facility Name.....146 N MILLICK ST
 [9] Hispanic Origin.....
 [4] Time of Death..... 7:50pm
 [25] Date Pronounced.....22 Mar 97
 [26] Referred to MEO.....Yes
 [27a] Immediate Cause of Death.....ASPHYXIATION
 [27b] Due To (or consequence of)....
 [27c] Due To (or consequence of)....
 [27x2] Other significant conditions..
 [28a] Autopsy Performed...Yes
 [28b] Autopsy Results.....Yes
 [29] Manner of Death.....HOMICIDE
 [30d] Date of Injury....> 22 Mar 97
 [30e] Time of Injury....> UNK
 [30c] Injury at Work.....No
 [30d] Describe Injury...> ASPHYXIATED BY ANOTHER
 [30e] Place of Injury Home
 [30f] Location.....> 146 N MILLICK ST
 > Philadelphia, PA 19139
 [31d] Date Signed.....24 Mar 97
 [32] Pathologist.....Bennett Preston MD
 Assistant Medical Examiner
 321 University Avenue



City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
 321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
Case Registration Summary

N.E. CASE NO.
 97-1355
 U97-03-22, 3
 POLICE FILE NO.

DATE REPORTED
 03/22/97 6:42pm/ETS

REPORTED BY	NAME Det Thomas PERKS, #9195, NOM	AFFILIATION Philadelphia Police Department		
	TOWN/HOSPITAL NAME & ADDRESS/OTHER ADDRESS Philadelphia, PA	Phone No.		
NAME OF DECEASED (First, Middle, Last) U97-03-22, 3		AGE	RACE Black	SEX Female
RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS (No., Street, Town, State)				PHONE
PLACE OF DEATH		PROHOUNCED DEAD ->	ON (Date)	AT (Time)
PLACE ADDRESS			BY	
DISPOSITION	Sign-out w/Examination	PRINTED ON 22 Mar 97 7:07pm		
REPORTED TO	NAME OF INVESTIGATOR Eugene T. Suplee, Jr.	MEDICAL EXAMINER Benedict Preston MD		
NAME-NOK-RELATIVE	RELATIONSHIP	DATE NOTIFIED	NOTIFIED BY	

CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH
 Alias: March 22 1997 Unidentified
 Refer to MEO # 97-1354.

Information about Attacker(s): ----- Multiple?

↑ so why

I was the only one in the house I thought?



City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M. E. CASE NO.
97-1355
DATE OF DEATH
22 Mar 97

DECEDENT'S NAME Roseanne Young	AGE 25	RACE Black	SEX Female	HEIGHT 5'5"	WEIGHT 143 lb
PROVINCED DEAD BY Christopher Jackson	AT 146 N. MILLICK ST Philadelphia, PA 19139			DATE 22 Mar 97	TIME 7:50pm
ID WITNESS NAME KEITH SMALLWOOD	ADDRESS 6150 W. COLUMBIA AVE Philadelphia, PA 19151			RELATION NEPHEW	
ID WITNESS NAME (W2) FREDRICK BLUE	ADDRESS 5654 BELMAR ST Philadelphia, PA 19143			RELATION FRIEND	

Alias: March 22 1997 Unidentified

PATHOLOGIC FINDINGS:

CLOTH IN MOUTH
PETECHIAL HEMORRHAGES TO EYES
TATTOO TO LEFT ARM

CAUSE OF DEATH:

SUFFOCATION

MANNER OF DEATH: HOMICIDE

Bennett Preston MD
Bennett Preston MD
Assistant Medical Examiner
10 Apr 97

City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M.E. CASE NO.
97-1355

NAME
Roseanne

Young

Page 2

INTRODUCTION

This is the case of a 25 year old Black female who has been identified as being Roseanne Young.

The subject's body was found at her residence on March 22, 1997 along with the body of Paula Blue (MEO #1334-97). The subject had been gagged.

An autopsy was performed at the Philadelphia Medical Examiner's Office on March 23, 1997 from 11:00 a.m. until 01:00 p.m.

EXTERNAL EXAMINATION

CLOTHING:

The clothing on the body consisted of a short sleeved "FORTY FIVE" red-striped pajama shirt which was opened, a "HEART WARMER" pair of pajama pants which had been pulled down around her ankles. In addition, there was a white metal ring present on the left thumb.

This is the body of a 25 year old Black female that had a height of 5 feet 5 inches and a weight of 144 pounds. Examination reveals a wash rag which had been jammed into the subject's mouth in the form of a gag. This was connected to a elongated purple cloth which had been tied loosely around the neck.

HEAD:

The subject had black hair, brown eyes and natural teeth. The ears were pierced. The lips and tongue were dried. The face was dusky. There were petechial hemorrhages within the conjunctivae of the eyes which will be described in detail below.

NECK:

The neck was not remarkable.

CHEST:

There was no evidence of trauma to the chest.

City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M. E. CASE NO.
97-1355

NAME
Roseanne

Young

Page 3

Narrative Description: (continued)

ABDOMEN:

There was striae present on the abdomen.

BACK:

The back was not remarkable.

EXTREMITIES:

There was a tattoo to the left upper arm which consist of a flower and the name "ANNE". There was an old scar on the left upper leg. The fingernails were long and had a lime color. The toenails were lime colored.

EXTERNAL GENITALIA:

The pubic hair was black and was neatly shaved. There was no evidence of trauma to the vagina or to the rectum.

POSTMORTEM CHANGES:

The postmortem changes consisted of full rigidity and posteriorly situated partially fixed lividity.

EVIDENCE OF INJURY AND CAUSE OF DEATH

I. SUFFOCATION

As stated before, there was a wash rag which had been jammed into the subject's mouth in the form of a gag. This was tied to a long purple cloth which was wrapped loosely around the neck. The lips and tongue were dried. There were petechial hemorrhages within the conjunctivae around the eyes. The face was dusky. Internal examination of the neck fails to reveal the presence of hemorrhage within the neck muscles. These injuries are consistent with the subject suffocating as the result of the wash rag being jammed into the mouth.

? no damage

City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M.E. CASE NO.
97-1355

NAME
Roseanne

Young

Page 4

Narrative Description: (continued)

II. GENITAL EXAMINATION

There was no evidence of trauma to the vagina, to the vulva or to the rectum. On examination of the vagina, there was clear fluid draining from the orifice. Examination of the smears taken from the vagina revealed the presence of complete sperm and sperm heads. There were also sperm heads found on examination of the rectum. Acid-phosphatase studies were positive for the vagina but negative for the rectum. There were no sperm or acid-phosphatase detected within the mouth.

There was no evidence of a struggle detected on the body at this examination.

Based on the above findings at autopsy, the cause of death is suffocation, and the manner of death is homicide.

There was no hemorrhage within the muscles of the wrists on dissection.

INTERNAL EXAMINATION AND ORGAN SYSTEM REVIEW

RESPIRATORY SYSTEM:

The right lung weighed 500 grams, and the left lung weighed 610 grams. Both lungs appeared normally formed and were without evidence of active disease or trauma. Both lungs were congested.

CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM:

The heart weighed 245 grams and appeared normally formed. The coronary vessels were patent. The cardiac valves were not remarkable. Sections of the heart revealed the uniformed red-brown myocardium.

HEPATOBIILIARY SYSTEM:

The liver weighed 1430 grams and exhibited a red-brown glistening external surface without evidence of active disease

City of Philadelphia
OFFICE OF the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M.E. CASE NO.
97-1355

NAME
Roseanne

Young

Page 5

Narrative Description: (continued)

or trauma. The gallbladder was pear-shaped and contained mucoid green bile. Serial sections of the liver failed to reveal the presence of active disease or trauma.

SPLEEN:

The spleen weighed 115 grams and was not remarkable.

PANCREAS:

The pancreas weighed 60 grams and was not remarkable.

GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT:

The lips and tongue were dried. There was dried blood on the tongue. The esophagus was not remarkable. The stomach contained approximately 30 ml of fluid. The intestines were not remarkable.

INTERNAL GENITALIA:

The internal genitalia consisted of the uterus, the tubes, the ovaries, and the cervix and weighed in aggregate to 120 grams. There was no evidence of active disease or trauma. There were no products of conception detected.

URINARY SYSTEM:

The right kidney weighed 120 grams, and the left kidney weighed 145 grams. Both kidneys exhibited a red-brown glistening external surface without evidence of active disease or trauma. The cortex and the medulla of the kidneys were not remarkable.

CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM:

The brain weighed 1100 grams and appeared symmetrical and dusky. There was no evidence of trauma detected. There were no subdural, subarachnoid or epidural bleeds. The cranial nerves were intact. The vessels of the Circle of Willis were patent. Serial sections of the brain failed to reveal the presence of active disease or trauma within the cerebral cortex, periventricular white matter or within the basal ganglia. There

City of Philadelphia
OFFICE of the MEDICAL EXAMINER
321 University Avenue, Phila. PA 19104
REPORT OF AUTOPSY

M.E. CASE NO.
97-1355

NAME
Roseanne

Young

Page 6

Narrative Description: (continued)

were no skull fractures or contusions detected on the scalp.

Autopsy Started: 23 Mar 97 11:00am

Bennett Preston MD

Bennett Preston MD
Assistant Medical Examiner
10 Apr 97

(End of Report)

TOXICOLOGY REPORT

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

CASE NO. 1355-97

NAME: YOUNG, ROSEANN

AGE 24Y RACE B SEX F

DR. BP


THE RESULTS OF TOXICOLOGICAL ANALYSES WERE NOT REMARKABLE

THE VAGINAL SWAB REVEALED SLIGHT ACID-PHOSPHATASE ACTIVITY. THE ORAL AND RECTAL SWABS REVEALED NO SUCH ACTIVITY.

Toxicological analyses were performed in order to detect the presence of the following agents (or classes of agents):

<input type="checkbox"/> analgesics	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ethanol	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other sedative hypnotics
<input type="checkbox"/> anticonvulsants	<input type="checkbox"/> ethchlorvynol	<input type="checkbox"/> salicylates
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> antidepressants	<input type="checkbox"/> fentanyl	<input type="checkbox"/> solvents
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> antihistamines	<input type="checkbox"/> heavy (Reinsch) metals	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> stimulants
<input type="checkbox"/> benzodiazepines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> narcotics	<input type="checkbox"/> tetrahydrocannabinoids
<input type="checkbox"/> carbon monoxide	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> phencyclidine (PCP)	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> cocaine	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> phenobarbital	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> cyanide	<input type="checkbox"/> quinine/quinidine	<input type="checkbox"/>

SIGNATURE OF TOXICOLOGIST


SAMUEL ROSEN, PhD.

DATE


April 9, 1997

CERTIFICATION OF IDENTIFICATION		CITY OF PHILADELPHIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER		CASE NO. 97-1355 Young, Roseanne	
APPARENT PLACE OF DEATH Residence 146 N MILLICK ST Philadelphia, PA 19139 (215) 472-6061			USUAL RESIDENCE 146 N MILLICK ST Philadelphia, PA 19139 (215) 472-6061		
NAME OF DECEDENT (First Middle Last) Roseanne Young					VETERAN <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
SEX Female	RACE Black	DATE OF BIRTH 08/18/71	AGE 25	MARITAL STATUS Single	
CITIZENSHIP USA	OCCUPATION	SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 209-58-4985	BIRTHPLACE Philadelphia, PA		S. WAR
FULL NAME OF SPOUSE			MOTHER'S MAIDEN NAME VIVIAN YOUNG		B. SERIAL NO.
FATHER'S NAME LEON YOUNG			RELIGION BAPT		
I.D. WITNESS (informant) KEITH SMALLWOOD 6150 W. COLUMBIA AVE Philadelphia, PA 19151		RELATIONSHIP NEPHEW TELEPHONE (215) 877-8497	I.D. WITNESS (non-informant) FREDRICK BLUE 5654 BELMAR ST Philadelphia, PA 19143		RELATIONSHIP FRIEND TELEPHONE (215) 727-2759
EJECT MEDICAL HISTORY HEALTHY					
U.N.C. (Name) UNKNOWN		ADDRESS	HOW LONG TREATED	DATE LAST VISIT	
USE OF DRUGS, ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, AND MEDICATIONS NO-DRUGS, NO-ETOH, NO-SMOKING, NO-MEDICATION.					
GIVE FACTS RELATIVE TO CIRCUMSTANCES OF DEATH " THE LAST TIME I HAD SAW HER ALIVE WAS FRIDAY APPROX-5:00 P.M. AT THE HOUSE SHE WAS LIVING AT". THIS IS MR. SMALLWOOD STATEMENT. " THE LAST TIME I HAD SAW HER ALIVE WAS TWO WEEKS AGO. I WAS BRINGING PAM HOME FROM CHURCH AT THE TIME." THIS IS MR. F. BLUE STATEMENT.					
AUTHORIZED FEDERAL DIRECTOR		TELEPHONE	CERTIFIED TO (Investigator's Signature)		
NAME OF NEXT OF KIN KEITH SMALLWOOD		RELATIONSHIP NEPHEW			
SIGNATURE OF IDENTIFICATION WITNESS		SIGNATURE OF IDENTIFICATION WITNESS (2nd)		DATE/TIME 22 Mar 97	

REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
OFFICE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

DATE AND TIME OF INVESTIGATION	<input type="checkbox"/> Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Supplemental	GME CASE NUMBER 97-1354 97-1355
PLACE OF INVESTIGATION	Page of	DATE AND TIME PRONOUNCED
NAME OF DECEDENT	AGE	SEX
	RACE	ADDRESS

Case # 1354 } 97 Comp case
1355 }

Unk liquid found in plastic container
Brought from scene ~~at~~ where
two bodies were dead apparently
from Adverse Effect on OD
of drugs

Rec'd SR
from J. Brink
3/25/97

INVESTIGATOR Carl B. Sprinell	DATE 3/22/97	SUPERVISOR	DATE	PATHOLOGIST	DATE
----------------------------------	-----------------	------------	------	-------------	------

DELIVERY SLIP

1955

3-22-97

YOUNG, ROSEANNE
146 N. MILLICK ST

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

P. L. F. R.

POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION Autopsy Yes No

DATE & TIME

BODY READY FOR RELEASE Yes No

Pathologist PSP pm MBB

3-23-97 9:00 AM

RELEASE ISSUED BY

Fingerprints Completed by March 31/2013

GALE: Photos: Compl. by _____
 Police Photos: Compl. by _____

Other: per _____
 Field Terminal by _____

garden

CLOTHING

- Hat or Cap Coat Belt Dress Girdle Perfume Field as Evidence
- Overcoat Trousers Hose Skirt Blouse Early Clothes Destroyed for Sanitary Purposes
- Sweater Shirt Slender Slip Nightgown Blanket Ho Clothes
- Jacket Tie Underclothes Slip Bolero

OTHER ITEMS DELIVERED WITH BODY (List)

1 WHITE WAZZAL RAZOR IN HAND

RECEIPT AND ABOVE ITEMS RECEIVED TO UNDERTAKER BY (Signature of Morgue Attendant)

RECEIPT AND ABOVE ITEMS RECEIVED BY (Signature of Undertaker)

DATE TIME

M. Jones

Blankenship

3-26-97

55-X-495 (Rev. 6/77)

FILE

55-X-495 (Rev. 6/88)

ORDER TO RELEASE BODY

CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
OFFICE OF THE MEDICAL EXAMINER

MEDICAL EXAMINER'S CASE NO.

1355-97

TO Med. Ex. Off. Hospital (Name)

U. NAME DELIVERED TO (Formal Director)

NAME OF DECEASED

ROSEANNE YOUNG

REL. FARE ONLY AFTER COMPLETION OF POSTMORTEM EXAMINATION AND Fingerprints Photographs

U. C. INVESTIGATOR (Name)

Young

DATE

3/22/97

55-X-495 (Rev. 9/88)