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State Prison Inmate Larry Black Bear Dies

SIOUX FALLS, S.D.- A state prison inmate has died.

Inmate Larry Black Bear, age 46, passed away Dec. 24 at a Sioux Falls hospital.

In 1993, Black Bear received a 160 year sentence for first-degree manslaughter out of Meade County.

An autopsy will be conducted.

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Our mission is to protect the citizens of South Dakota by providing safe and secure facilities for juvenile and adult offenders committed to our custody by the courts. To provide effective community supervision to offenders upon their release and to utilize evidence-based practices to maximize opportunities for rehabilitation.