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State prison inmate dies

Pierre, S.D. – A state prison inmate at the South Dakota State Penitentiary has died of apparent natural causes.

Joseph Grandi, age 59, died July 25th.

Grandi was serving two consecutive 10-year sentences with 5 years suspended on each for Grand Theft out of Meade County.

An autopsy will be conducted. The Division of Criminal Investigation is investigating the death, as is standard procedure in the death of an inmate.

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