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### **State Prison Inmate Dies**

Sioux Falls, S.D.- A state prison inmate has died.

Inmate James Strahl, 46, passed away at a Sioux Falls hospital July 14 following an extended illness.

At the time of his death, Strahl was serving a 25-year sentence for first-degree manslaughter and a consecutive 10-year sentence for grand theft. Both convictions were from Union 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.