

Child Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Raul Sanchez

County: Brevard

Date of Birth: 09/03/2014

Date of Death: 01/22/2018

Report Number: 2018-393062

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Raul Sanchez	3 years old	Child Victim
██████████	5 years old	Sibling
Marysol Sanchez	27 years old	Mother
Raul Reyenavargas	31 years old	Father
██████████	1 year old	Maternal Cousin
██████████	1 year old	Maternal Cousin
██████████	12 years old	Maternal Cousin
██████████	13 years old	Maternal Cousin
Candy Quezada	40 years old	Maternal Aunt
Marvin Quezada-Garcia	52 years old	Maternal Uncle

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On January 22, 2018, the three-year-old child passed away after suffering a drowning incident on January 5, 2018.

According to the family, the following information was provided.

The mother, father, and children ██████████ arrived in Florida on December 18, 2017 to visit the maternal aunt and uncle, ██████████, purchased the home in Florida at the end of September 2017, and arrived on the same day as the parents for Christmas Break. The maternal aunt and uncle were to return ██████████ on January 8, 2018 and the parents ██████████ on January 9, 2018.

On January 5, 2018, the maternal uncle was upstairs getting dressed as he and the father were going to buy a boat they found on Craig's List. As the uncle was coming down the stairs ██████████ asked if he had seen Raul and he said that he had not. The mother and father were in the kitchen and when the uncle arrived they also asked him if he had seen Raul. The maternal uncle and parents then began running around the home looking for Raul. The maternal uncle looked out the back window thinking Raul might have gone to play on the swing set in the back yard, he saw Raul with his grey batman life vest on, and he was a few feet out into the water floating face down. The maternal uncle jumped into the pool, grabbed Raul, and began Cardiopulmonary

Resuscitation (CPR). Someone ran and got the maternal aunt who used to be a nurse [REDACTED] and she took over CPR. The maternal uncle called 911 at 5:23 p.m. Emergency Medical Services responded and transported Raul to the Parrish Medical Center.

The maternal uncle did not remember if the door was locked or not when he ran out to pull Raul from the pool.

The French Doors lead on to a lanai and then to the pool. There was no pool fence. There were floaties and floatation devices around the pool.

Raul [REDACTED] needed constant supervision according to the family. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] Everyone else in the family was inside the home.

The family estimated he was in the water for approximately 10 to 15 minutes.

On January 22, 2017, Raul Sanchez was pronounced deceased at 11:57 p.m.

On March 6, 2018, the investigation was closed with:

- Verified Findings of Death and Inadequate Supervision as to Raul Sanchez, with Marysol Sanchez and Raul Reyenavargas as the caregiver's responsible.
- [REDACTED]

The Child Protection Team completed a medical consultation which concluded with findings of Death due to Neglect.

The Brevard County Sheriff's Office investigated the death of Raul Sanchez (2018-00005483). No arrests were made or charges filed.

On January 23, 2018, District Nine Associate Medical Examiner Sara H. Zydwicz, M.D., completed an autopsy of Raul Sanchez. ME# 18-155.

Cause of Death: Anoxic Encephalopathy following Resuscitated Cardiopulmonary Arrest, due to Drowning

Manner of Death: Accident

Autopsy Findings:

- I. Drowning
 - A. Cardiopulmonary arrest with resuscitation
 - B. Anoxic encephalopathy
 - C. Pulmonary edema
 - D. Lactic Acidosis
 - E. Status post tracheostomy

- F. Methicillin-susceptible Staphylococcus aureus (MSSA) bacteremia and pneumonia (resolved)
- G. Multiple metabolic derangements

Conclusion: *In consideration of the circumstances surrounding the death and after external examination of the body and review of the available medical records, it is my opinion that the death of Raul Sanchez, a 3-year-old toddler boy, is the result of anoxic encephalopathy following resuscitated cardiopulmonary arrest due to drowning. The manner of death is classified as accident.*

Other Children in the Family:

A courtesy visit was called in [REDACTED] to provide assistance to the family. Grief counseling services were offered to the family [REDACTED]. They declined but left information in case they change their minds.

Summary of Current Agency Involvement with Family

The family does not have any current involvement with the department.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

Neither family has any prior abuse report history in Florida.

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3/6/2018

Date

Central Region Family Safety Program Manager
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Date

Parents not from
Florida