Randle Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Kylor Randle County: Leon

Date of Birth: 11/27/2021 Date of Death: 09/06/2023

Report Number: 2023-281425

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child	
Kylor Randle	21 months old	Deceased Child	
	23 months old	Half Sibling by the father	
Jevin Randle	20 years old	Father	
Jalin Gilyard	25 years old	Paternal Uncle	
Lakesia Randle	48 years old	Paternal Grandmother	

Circumstances Surrounding Death

An investigation was received on September 8, 2023, concerning the death of 21-month-old Kylor Randle, who was shot in the abdomen by his 23-month-old half brother when their father left a loaded firearm on the bed where the toddlers were later playing. The household included the deceased child, the 23-month-old half-sibling, the father, a paternal uncle and the paternal grandmother.

On 09/06/2023, the two toddlers were at their father's home. Also present was their father, paternal uncle, and the paternal grandmother. At approximately 7:32 pm EST on 09/06/2023, a 911 call was received regarding a 1-year-old, later identified as Kylor, who had been shot. During the investigation it was found that Kylor and his half-brother had been playing in their father's room where a loaded Glock 19 handgun was left unsecured by the father. During this time, the half-brother accidentally shot Kylor in the abdomen. According to video surveillance in the home, the father was watching TV in the grandmother's room, the paternal uncle was in the living room playing video games, and the paternal grandmother was outside of the home talking to a neighbor. The grandmother did contact 911 regarding the shooting; however, the father did not wait for EMS to arrive to the home but left to take the child to the hospital. EMS did meet the father at a local gas station and transported Kylor to the emergency room at Tallahassee Memorial Hospital. However, Kylor did not survive the injury and passed away.

According to dispatch records from the Tallahassee Police Department, on 09/05/2023, law enforcement was contacted regarding masked men being around the family's home. No report was completed; however, the grandmotherdid have a video of a group of males walking through the property with crow bars and guns. The father had been carrying around a loaded gun for protection due to the masked men being seen on the property. He advised that on the date of the incident, 9/06/2023, he had the gun on him when he went outside to lift weights. He then went inside and put the gun on the bed and the gun was cocked back at this time. After this, the father gave the children a bath. The father then went into his mother's room to watch TV. The father advised that he heard a pop noise, and he ran into the bedroom where he found Kylor laying on the bed bleeding from the abdomen. He advised he picked Kylor up and ran to the car to drive him to the hospital.

During the criminal investigation, a Glock 19 handgun was found on the father's bed along with a spent casing. Also, an AK47 pistol was located unsecured under the father's bed. Firearm accessories and ammunition were also located throughout the father's bedroom where the toddlers were left unsupervised.

When questioned regarding the incident, the father advised that his children knew not to play with firearms and that although they are toddlers, they know right from wrong. He also later stated the children were "unoccupied for too long which is my (the father's) fault, I apologize."

A urinalysis was completed on all three adults in the home. The father tested positive for marijuana. The father does have a medical marijuana card. The grandmother tested negative for all substances. The paternal uncle tested positive for marijuana, and he does not have a medical marijuana card.

The District Two Medical Examiner completed an autopsy on Kylor. The identified cause of death for Kylor was listed as gunshot wound of the abdomen and the manner of death was identified as an accident.

The Tallahassee Police Department completed the criminal investigation regarding the incident. The father was charged with Crimes Against Person – Store Leave Load Firearm Minor Access by the State Attorney's Office. The charge is a felony.

Based on the interviews and evidence gathered during the course of the investigation, the Child Protective Investigations Unit closed their investigation with the following findings:

Child	Identified Maltreatment	Finding	Caregiver Responsible
Kylor Randle	Death	Verified	Father
	Inadequate Supervision	Verified	Father
	Environmental Hazards	Verified	Father

Other Children in the Family

The surviving half-sibling was examined by the Child Protection Team, and there were no findings of abuse and neglect. That child remains in the care of his mother, and the father and child are being provided case management services through Northwest Florida Health under a Non-Judicial In-Home case. The surviving child and the mother have relocated to another county in Florida.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

There are no prior investigations concerning Kylor or the surviving half-sibling. The father also does not have any prior reports where he has been listed as an alleged perpetrator or parent/caregiver.

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