

Child Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Milendhere Cadet Napoleon
Milendjhit Cadet Napoleon

County: Miami-Dade

Date of Birth: 1/22/2021
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Date of Death: 2/2/2024
2/2/2024

Report Number: 2024-040788

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Milendhere Cadet Napoleon	3	Decedent
Milendjhit Cadet Napoleon	3	Decedent
Shirlene Lemineur (Alcime)	42	Mother
Milson Cadet	48	Father

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On 02/2/2024, the Department received an abuse report following the passing of these twin 3-year-old children. The report alleges the following: "On 02/02/24 (at) approximately 2am, the mother was seen outside of a vehicle on I95 N and State RD 91, by an unknown individual. The individual asked the mother if she needed assistance, the mother yelled to call 911. Law enforcement was called around 2:02am. When the individual approached the vehicle Melendjhit and Milendhere was (sic) found in the backseat unresponsive and foaming out of the mouth. The individual began to perform CPR while the mother pretended to do CPR as well. Law enforcement was dispatched at 2:03am along with EMS and fire rescue and arrived on the scene at 2:04am. The mother was seen walking towards the overpass and jumped right over and hitting the ground. The two children were transported to Jackson North Medical Center and the children never regained consciences (sic). Milendjhit was pronounced deceased at 2:58 and Milendhere was pronounced deceased at 3:04am as a result of suspected overdose. The mother was transported to Adventura Hospital, stable but in critical condition, she suffered a broken spine and ribs, also punctured lungs. The father had reported her and the children missing earlier this morning and the mother wasn't answering her phone and wasn't where she normally is. The father works 5am-11pm in construction, and when he left on Thursday the mother was still home with the children. When the father got home at 11pm the mother and the children weren't home, so he went to go check the Herbal life place where she either works or hangout. The mother wasn't there so the father waited two hours then reported them missing. Two days out of the week the mother practices voodoo and she go (sic) and visits a voodoo priest, and she has attempted to perform a ritual on the toddlers twice prior to this incident. The first

time the mother was attempting a ritual the father was able to break the window and get the children out. It is unknown what the rituals consisted of. It is unknown if the mother attempted any rituals on the adult son. It is reported that the mother was obsessed with voodoo, but it is unknown if there are any known mental illness. It is unknown if the adult brother spoke with the mother before she left the house with the toddlers and there were no other concerns found in the home. There has been a tox screen done on the mother and it hasn't come back yet. The children are scheduled for an autopsy tomorrow morning and a tox screen done as well. Milendjhit has two small lacerations, one to her forehead between the eyes and the other one inside of her right hand and it is unknown if they are a result of any type of abuse or neglect. Milendhere was still in diapers, and it is unknown if Milendjhit was due to her only having a onesie on. Both children's nails were dirty and Milendhere was soiled. The children had vomit on their clothing. The mother took the children to a pediatrician, but it is unknown if the children had any pre-existing medical conditions, and it is unknown the last time they attended an office visit. The children didn't attend daycare. The mother's shoes were dirty and smelly. The mother's feet were dirty."

The abuse report lists maltreatments of death, inadequate supervision and substance misuse with the twins as the alleged victims and the mother as the alleged perpetrator.

The twins were born to parents Shirlene Alcime and Milson Cadet at Memorial Regional Hospital located in Broward County.

On 2/2/2024 at approximately 2:04am, a Miami-Dade Police officer arrived at the I-95 northbound connector to State Road 91 and State Road 826 and saw the mother on the shoulder of the road. As he approached her, the mother sat on a barrier at the edge of the shoulder, crossed her arms then and rolled backwards over the barrier, falling below onto the railroad tracks. Both children were unresponsive and were transported to the hospital where they were pronounced deceased. The mother was also transported to another hospital, and when she recovered, she was taken into police custody.

According to the father, he and the mother have been together for approximately four years; they reside together with the twins but were not married. The father stated that when he left for work the day of 02/02/2024, the children were lively and happy in the care of their mother. When he arrived home from work, the mother and children were not there; he tried calling the mother several times, with no answer. He then went to the voodoo priest's office to see if they were there, but were told no one had seen the mother or children. After waiting longer to see if the mother would contact him and she did not, he notified the police at approximately 4 am, as it was not like the mother to be out that late with the children. He advised that the mother did practice voodoo, but he had no explanation as to why she would do what she did to the children.

The Miami Dade Police Department concluded their investigation. The mother was arrested and charged with manslaughter and aggravated child abuse.

The Miami-Dade Medical Examiner completed an autopsy on both children. The cause of death is listed for both as homicide by unspecified means with the manner of death listed as homicide.

The Department concluded its investigation with verified findings of death, inadequate supervision and substance misuse, with the mother named as the identified caregiver responsible.

Other Children in the Family

There are no other minor children in the family. The mother does have an adult child who does not (or no longer) resides in the home with the twins' father.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with family

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