

North Carolina Public Records Act Request

The following information was received in response to a public records request submitted under the North Carolina Public Records Law (G.S. §132-1) by Lives Cut Short. Records were provided by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner on January 27, 2025.

CANDID ID: NC_22_222

Decedent's Name: Stetson Strickland

Victim Age: 6 years

Sex: Male

Ethnicity: Not Hispanic or Latino

Race: White

Date of Death: 11/26/2022

Death County: Lenoir

Cause of Death: Poisoning

Manner of Death: Undetermined

Preliminary Circumstances: Six-year-old Stetson Strickland was found unresponsive while visiting relatives in Lenoir County, NC, during the Thanksgiving holiday. He was transported to UNC Lenoir Health Care on November 26, 2022, where he was pronounced dead. Toxicology results revealed the presence of controlled substances. The child's father, Glenn Hershel Strickland, was charged with second-degree murder and felony child abuse. Brittany Evon Strickland (the child's aunt) and Michelle Evon Strickland (the child's grandmother) were later arrested and charged in connection with the death.