Arkansas State Child Fatality List

Pursuant to Ark. Code Ann. § 9-28-120, the Department of Human Services provides information to the public on the Department's web page when a fatality or near fatality of a child is reported to the Child Abuse Hotline under the Child Maltreatment Act, Ark. Code Ann. § 12-18-101 et seq. The information below was pulled by the Lives Cut Short project based on Arkansas data published as of December 2025.

Date of Incident: 6/24/2025

Date Reported: 6/25/2025

Name of Child: Sawyer Shirley

Date of Birth: 11/8/2017

Age: 7 years

Race: Caucasian

Gender: Male

Allegation: Neglect

County: Faulkner

Placement: Relatives

Alleged Offenders: Relative

DHS Involvement: None