Florida Department of Children and Families
Child Fatality Summary C-19

Child's Name: Kaydin Jean Florissant

County: St. Lucie

Date of Birth: 11/05/2022

Date of Death: 02/18/2025

Family Composition Chart

Report Number: 2025-058934

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Kaydin Jean Florissant	2 years	Decedent
[redacted]	5 months	Half-Sibling
Natalie Cruz	24 years	Mother
Quintenn Wesley	25 years	Mother's Paramour and Father to [redacted]

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On 02/18/2025, the Department received a report stating that this 2-year-old toddler was found unresponsive after accidentally shotting himself in the head. Resuscitative efforts were attempted without success and the toddler was pronounced deceased at Lawnwood Medical Center at 7:57 p.m.

In the hour leading up to the incident, the mother, her paramour, the two children and paternal family members were in the home. The mother, infant and toddler were in the mother's bedroom. The mother reported that the toddler woke up from a nap around 5:30 p.m. The mother then gave the toddler a tablet so he could watch a show. Next, the mother heard a loud noise and she looked over and saw a gun and that the toddler was bleeding. The mother screamed for help and held the toddler's head to attempt to stop the bleeding.

Next, the paramour and paternal family ran into the room and called 911. Emergency medical services and law enforcement arrived at the home and transported the child to the hospital where he was pronounced deceased. Law enforcement reported that the toddler's abdomen was moving and the toddler was gasping for air when they arrived.

The mother and paramour stated that they didn't know how the child was able to hold and ultimately shot the gun.

Law enforcement obtained a search warrant for the house and found two guns in the mother and her paramour's bedroom that was shared with the children. A Glock 19 X with no magazine was found in the room. The magazine was lying on the mattress and had an extension added for 21 live rounds. There was a holster found; however, this holster didn't have a safety feature that required the user to press buttons to release the firearm. The bullet that was left in this Glock's chamber is the bullet that shot the child. The bullet casing was

found on the ground next to where the incident occurred. The mother's paramour said that this gun was stored between the mattress and the wall; however, the mattress was observed to be pushed against the wall and there was no space between the wall and mattress.

A second loaded firearm with magazine was found on the couch in the bedroom within the reach of the children. This gun had no locks or safety features in use.

The Medical Examiner's Office of District 19 performed an autopsy and determined that the cause of death is "Gunshot Wound of Head" and the manner of death is an "Accident." The injury occurred by, "Shot Self." The report states, "This 2-year-old male died due to gunshot wound of head. The manner of death is accident. Toxicological testing is negative for prescription medications and drugs of abuse." The final diagnoses is listed as subdural and subarachnoid hemorrhage, fractures of skull and perforation of brain.

The Port St. Lucie Police Department has jurisdiction over this case. The criminal investigation concluded that a crime occurred and the mother was arrested for "Manslaughter," "Culpable Negligence of Firearm/Child," and "Possession of a Firearm or Ammunition by Convicted Felon." The mother was adjudicated guilty on all counts and sentenced to 10 years in prison. The mother's paramour was arrested for "Manslaughter" and "Culpable Negligence Firearm/Child." His charges are pending prosecution at the time the DCF investigation was closed.

Based on the information indicated above, the report was closed with "Verified" findings of the death, environmental hazards and inadequate supervision maltreatments. The caregivers responsible are the mother and the mother's paramour.

Other Children in the Family

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Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

The mother and her two children have no history with the Department. [redacted]

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