Child Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Ayda Bowes Sandoz

County: Brevard

Date of Birth: 03/29/2010

Date of Death: 03/31/2025

Report Number: 2025-111911

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Ayda Bowes Sandoz	15 years old	Child Victim
[redacted]	18 years old	Adult Sibling
Pamela "Brooke" Roberson	28 years old	Adult Sibling/Caregiver
[redacted]	30 years old	Pamela's Paramour
[redacted]	36 years old	Roommate

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On March 31, 2025, the 15-year-old child passed away after overdosing in the home where she was residing with her adult siblings.

According to the department, law enforcement, and available agency records:

Ayda had resided [redacted] in Pinellas County since September 2023. However, due to behavioral issues, Ayda went to live with her adult sister, Pamela, and adult brother, Timothy, in Palm Bay.

[redacted].

On March 30, 2025, Ayda and Pamela attended a birthday party in their neighborhood. During the event, Pamela reportedly ingested unknown drugs and did not regain consciousness until following morning.

In the early hours of March 31, 2025, at approximately 1:00 a.m., Ayda participated in a FaceTime call with her boyfriend and a friend. During the call, Ayda appeared to lose consciousness, and the boyfriend ended the call under the assumption that she had fallen asleep. She was observed to be in a bedroom at the time.

Later that morning, [redacted] reported seeing Ayda asleep on the couch. He attempted to wake her but was unsuccessful. As Ayda was known to be a heavy sleeper, this did not initially raise concern.

At approximately 11:30 a.m., Pamela returned home and discovered Ayda unresponsive. She initiated CPR and contacted emergency services at 11:32 a.m. Law enforcement and emergency medical services responded to the residence.

On March 31, 2025, at 11:38 am, Ayda was pronounced deceased on scene.

The Palm Bay Police Department investigated the death of the child (25002434).

On March 31, 2025, A detective from the Palm Bay Police Department obtained a search warrant for the residence. During the search, officers discovered drugs and drug paraphernalia in Pamela's bedroom, including items located on her bed. A safe containing additional drugs was also found within the bedroom. Evidence indicated that the child had likely been moved from the bedroom to the living room, as findings supported that the death occurred in the bedroom. However, upon entry, law enforcement found Ayda in the living room, positioned next to the couch.

Pamela was subsequently arrested and charged with Possession of a Controlled Substance and two counts of Use or Possession of Drug Paraphernalia.

The death certificate was received on May 8, 2025, and indicated District 18 Medical Examiner Sajid S. Qaiser, M.D., signed and certified the death certificate for the child on April 4, 2025. ME# 25-18-00245.

Cause of Death: Fentanyl Toxicity

Manner of Death: Accident

Other Significant Conditions: ADHD and Autism, Mild Fatty Liver

On November 17, 2025, the Department of Children and Families' investigation was closed with:

- Verified Death, Inadequate Supervision, Substance Misuse and Environmental Hazards as to the child with the adult sister, Pamela Roberson, as caregiver responsible.

Other Children in the Family:

There are no surviving siblings under the care of Pamela Robinson. Grief counseling information was provided to the family.

Summary of Current Agency Involvement with Family

The family did not have any open services.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

The family has an extensive prior abuse report history with over 50 reports, 22 of which involve the decedent as a child victim, from 2003 to 2025.

Ayda and her siblings had been removed by the department on two different occasions following multiple verified priors. [redacted].

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Ayda was born substance exposed. Prior history revealed a diagnosis of Oppositional Defiant Disorder, which she has been on and off medications for, as well as autism spectrum disorder.



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