

Child Fatality Summary

Child's Name: Christopher Camejo

County: Citrus

Date of Birth: 07/03/2012

Date of Death: 12/06/2014

Report Number: 2014-321620

Family Composition Chart

Name	Age at Time of the Incident	Relationship with Deceased Child
Christopher Camejo	2 years old	Child Victim
██████████	1 year old	Sibling
██████████	5 years old	Sibling
Claudia Scarbrough	31 years old	Mother
Christopher Camejo	29 years old	Father
Jaoquin Camejo	60 years old	Paternal Grandfather
Kimberly Fisher	38 years old	Paternal Grandfather's Paramour

Circumstances Surrounding Death

On December 6, 2014, the two-year-old child was found deceased at the home after having been mauled by at least four adult Rottweiler dogs.

According to the family, the following information was provided.

On the afternoon of December 6th, the grandfather's paramour, Kimberly Fisher was reportedly on top of the roof using a blower to get the leaves off their roof. At the time, the mother, Claudia was inside vacuuming, and the father was also inside the home. Christopher and ██████████ were outside and ██████████ was inside the home. The grandfather, Jaoquin Camejo was out on his boat fishing at the time.

Neighbors Brandy J., her paramour, Bryan H and Michael (reside in one household), were contacted during the course of the investigation. At approximately 3:50 p.m., Brandy J. advised that she heard a child scream. The neighbor thought it was her kids, she checked on them, and they were fine. The neighbor did not think anything of it because screaming was a normal thing for the Camejo family.

Approximately a half hour later ██████████ went over to Brandy's house and asked them if they seen ██████████ brother Christopher. Brandy advised they had not and told her to go back to ██████████ house. Bryan walked around their own house to ask their kids if they had seen Christopher and their kids said no they had not. At that time the adults at the Camejo household came outside screaming to call 911, so Bryan called 911 at 4:19 p.m.

Christopher was found in the backyard by Kimberly and he was surrounded by the paternal grandfather's dogs, four Rottweiler's and one Pekinese.

911 received two calls one at 4:19 p.m. by Bryan (neighbor) and another one at 4:20 p.m. by Kimberly.

Emergency Medical Services arrived at 4:30 p.m. and Christopher Camejo was pronounced deceased on scene at 4:32 p.m.

The mother and the father drug screened and tested positive for Methamphetamines, Amphetamines, Oxycodone, Opiates, and Benzodiazepines. Jaoquin and Kimberly refused to submit to drug screens. The mother, father and Kimberly all appeared under the influence to law enforcement, the Child Protective Investigator, the Dependency Case Manager, and the Dependency Case Manager Supervisor upon responding to the scene. The mother admitted to having taken two Percosets she had obtained from a friend on the day of the incident. The mother later admitted to having done Methamphetamine on the day of the incident. The mother then recanted and stated she had not done Methamphetamine but had only smoked marijuana. The father was slurring his speech and was swaying back and forth while taking his drug screen.

Jaoquin returned to the home as Emergency Medical Services was arriving and before Law Enforcement arrived. The detective indicated that Kimberly received a call from Jaoquin prior to his return to the home asking her to make him a sandwich, which is why she came down off the roof.

The neighbors, Brandy, Bryan and Michael also reported the families dogs were aggressive and had gone after their five year old child (specific date regarding this incident is unknown) and this was reported to the grandfather. There was an incident a week and a half prior to the death where Michael was cornered in his garage by three of the Rottweiler's. He fired a round from his pistol into the ground; however, the dogs did not get scared away. Rather they just became more aggressive. The father and grandfather heard the shot, came outside, and called the dogs off. It is unknown if the neighbors called Animal Control. The neighbors advised law enforcement that they have had numerous problems with the dogs, having been chased into their residence several times by the dogs and feared for their safety and safety of their children.

The same neighbors also reported constant drug traffic at the home with the smell of marijuana and meth coming from the home as well. They have seen adults outside talking to themselves and stumbling frequently. Another neighbor also informed law enforcement of the concerns with the dogs, always running loose and trying to attack him.

On December 8, 2014, the Child Protection Team completed a Forensic Interview with [REDACTED] Camejo. [REDACTED] disclosed [REDACTED] was left home alone earlier on the day of the incident with [REDACTED] and Christopher while all the adults left. It is unknown where the adults went. [REDACTED] was told to watch [REDACTED] siblings and [REDACTED] put [REDACTED] in [REDACTED] crib and gave [REDACTED] a bottle.

On December 7, 2014, District Five Deputy Chief Medical Examiner Wendy Lavezzi, M.D., performed an autopsy of Christopher Camejo. ME# 2014-1337.

Autopsy Findings:

1. Multiple lacerations, abrasions, and bruises of head, neck, chest, back, abdomen, buttocks, genitalia, and extremities
 - a. Tracheal and esophageal lacerations
 - b. Cervical spinal fractures (2)
 - c. Lacerations of left kidney, spleen and pancreas
2. Cerebral edema
3. Organ pallor

Cause of Death: Multiple Blunt Force Injuries due to Dog Mauling

Manner of Death: Accident

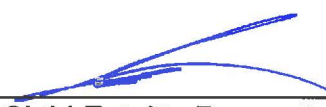
Other Children in the Family:

██████████ were sheltered after Christopher's death and as of closure of the investigation they are still placed in foster care. Ongoing services are being provided by Kids Central, Inc.

The family had open In Home Non-Judicial Services with The Centers/Kids Central, Inc. at the time of Christopher's death; services had been open from April 17, 2014.

Summary of Prior Agency Involvement with Family

Please see the special report completed by the Critical Incident Rapid Response team for additional information regarding the family's previous child welfare involvement.



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