

SAN MATEO COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE

PATHOLOGY REPORT

CASE No. 18-01892

NAME: CHAN, Ming Rou

SEX: Male AGE: 69

Death Time & Date: 1836 hours, 10/29/2018

Exam Time & Date: 1430 hours, 10/30/2018

Autopsy Surgeon: Thomas W. Rogers, M.D., performed at the San Mateo Medical Center, 222 West 39<sup>th</sup> Avenue, San Mateo, CA 94403

ORIGINAL  
DO NOT REMOVE FROM FILE

CAUSE OF DEATH

I. Disease or Condition directly leading to death:

DURATION:

A. Cardiac insufficiency

minutes

due to

B. Coronary atherosclerosis

years

due to

C.

due to

D.

Official Document  
Do Not Duplicate  
Coroner's Office,  
San Mateo County

II. Other significant conditions contributing but not related to the immediate cause of death:

Final report

T. M. Rogers 11-16-18  
Forensic Pathologist Date

Copy Released to:  
Jessie Liang



<b>CALL INFO</b>	NAME OF DECEASED (LAST, FIRST MIDDLE) <b>CHAN Ming Kou</b>		CALL DATE AND TIME 10/29/2018 18:39		CASE NUMBER <b>18-01892</b>	
	INVESTIGATOR Hastin Stein	REPORTED BY Captain Justin Shorr	REPORTING AGENCY San Francisco Airport Fire Department		REFERENCE NUMBER 18-100439	
<b>DECEDENT</b>	DATE AND TIME OF DEATH <b>10/29/2018 18:36</b>	DATE OF BIRTH 07/17/1949	AGE 69 Years	GENDER Male	RACE Asian	
	RESIDENCE (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) 3162 Middlefield Road Palo Alto, CA 94306			COUNTY Santa Clara	TELEPHONE NO. (650) 857-0585	
				MARITAL STATUS Never Married		
	Physician Name Brett Spitnale		Physician Date Last Seen		Physician Phone: (650) 853-2984	
	Comments 69 year old male found unresponsive, locked in a bathroom, at Cathay Pacific Airline Lounge, located in the International Terminal of San Francisco International Airport.					
<b>DEATH INFORMATION</b>	LOCATION OF DEATH San Francisco International Airport			LOD Type Airport		
	ADDRESS (STREET, CITY, STATE, ZIP) SFO, Cathay Pacific Lounge, International Terminal			COUNTY		
	MANNER Natural					
	CAUSE A	Cardiac insufficiency			INTERVAL Minutes	
	CAUSE B	Coronary atherosclerosis			INTERVAL Years	
	CAUSE C				INTERVAL	
	CAUSE D				INTERVAL	
OTHER SIGNIFICANT CONDITIONS						
<b>NOTIFICATION</b>	LEGAL NEXT OF KIN Freda Chan			RELATIONSHIP Mother		
	NOTIFIED BY Alana Stark					
	NAME OF PERSON NOTIFIED Wing Chan					
	As required by California Government Code Section 27491, an inquiry was made into the death of the subject in this report. It was determined by an investigation that an examination would be necessary to establish the cause of death. An examination was performed and it revealed that the subject died as a result of: Natural					
<b>DISP</b>	FUNERAL HOME Alta Mesa		Property: Yes		TYPE OF EXAM Full	
Official Document - Do Not Duplicate Coroner's Office - San Mateo County Copy Released to: <u>Jessie Liang</u> X _____ X _____ Reviewed By Deputy Coroner Hastin Stein						

**San Mateo County Coroner  
50 Tower Road  
San Mateo, CA 94402  
(650) 312-5562**



**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION  
Accepted**

**Conclusion:**

On Tuesday, December 04, 2018, at approximately 1500 hours, I reviewed this case for the purpose of establishing a manner of death.

On Monday, October 29, 2018, at approximately 0100 hours, Ming Chan was scheduled to board a flight leaving from San Francisco International Airport to Hong Kong. Ming Chan was witnessed by San Francisco International Airport security cameras to enter the Cathay Pacific Lounge restroom at approximately 0100 hours. At approximately 1820 hours, Ming Chan was found unresponsive, locked in a bathroom stall, in the Cathay Pacific Airline Lounge. San Francisco Airport Fire Department was requested to respond to the lounge for emergency medical aid by Cathay Pacific staff. Resuscitation efforts were initiated by fire paramedics. Death was pronounced at 1836 hours by a San Francisco Fire Captain. No signs of obvious external trauma or suspicious circumstances were observed during the scene investigation.

The cause of death is listed as "cardiac insufficiency," due to "coronary atherosclerosis."

Based on the information contained in the Coroner's Investigation Report, and Autopsy Report, I have determined the manner of death to be natural.

Deputy Coroner Hastin Stein #13

1 SAN MATEO COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE

2  
3 AUTOPSY REPORT  
4  
5  
6

7 NAME: CHAN, Ming Rou

CASE No. 18-01892

8  
9  
10 PROLOGUE: The autopsy begins in the morgue at the San Mateo Medical  
11 Center at 1430 hours, October 30, 2018. Assisting at the examination is Maggi Horn,  
12 Forensic Autopsy Technician.  
13  
14  
15

16 EXTERNAL EXAMINATION  
17  
18

19 The body is presented in a sealed body bag.  
20

21 The body is that of an Asian male, appearing the stated age of 69 years. There is a  
22 Coroner's identification tag present on the left big toe. The body is 65 inches long and  
23 weighs 200 pounds.  
24

25 The body is presented in a supine position and nude.  
26

27 Rigor mortis is developing. Lividity is present over the back side of the body.  
28

29 There is the following evidence of medical therapy:  
30

- 31 1) Cardiac monitoring pads on the body  
32 2) Electrical conduction pads on the chest  
33 3) A cardiac pacer over the sternum  
34 4) A vascular catheter in the right antecubital fossa  
35 5) A green tube in the left nasal passage  
36  
37  
38  
39  
40  
41

1 are some excoriations of the skin over the front part of the left thigh. Legs and feet are  
2 without further abnormalities. Arms, hands and back are normal.  
3  
4  
5

6 INTERNAL EXAMINATION  
7

8 The body is opened through the usual Y-SHAPED INCISION. Except for  
9 resuscitative measures, no abnormalities are noted.  
10

11 BODY CAVITIES: There are a moderate number of anterior rib fractures present  
12 on both the right and left sides of the chest plate, consistent with resuscitative measures.  
13 In addition, in the posterior aspect of the left pleural cavity, close to the apex, there is a 3-  
14 1/2 inch area of subpleural hemorrhage. Three rib fractures are noted within this area.  
15 The pleural cavities are lined by smooth, glistening surfaces. No fluid is present. The  
16 pericardial sac is nonremarkable. Focal adhesions are present in the peritoneal cavity.  
17

18 HEART: In situ, the heart is enlarged, with the apex beyond the left midclavicular  
19 line. The heart weighs 500 grams. The epicardial surface is smooth and glistening.  
20 Ventricular myocardium is brown. There is prominent subendocardial scarring on the  
21 anterior wall of the left ventricle, over a 2-1/2 inch area. No acute myocardial infarcts are  
22 noted. There is mild concentric left ventricular hypertrophy present. Valves are normal.  
23 Coronary ostia are patent. There is severe calcific coronary atherosclerosis, making  
24 examination difficult. No thrombi are identified.  
25

26 VESSELS: The aorta and tributaries are mildly involved with atheromatous  
27 change. The pulmonary artery and venous system contain no thromboemboli.  
28

29 LUNGS: Not dictated.  
30

31 ORAL CAVITY: The teeth are natural. None are acutely missing or loose.  
32 Tongue is normal. No abnormalities of the oral cavity are noted.  
33

34 ESOPHAGUS: Lined by a white, wrinkled mucosal surface.  
35

36 STOMACH: The stomach contains 400 cc of soft brown food material. The  
37 mucosal surface is tan. No tumors or ulcers are noted.  
38

San Mateo County Coroner's Office  
CHAN, Ming Rou  
Autopsy Report, Case No. 18-01892

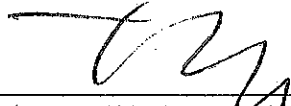
1 column is non-remarkable. The thyroid gland is of normal size. Sectioning of it reveals a  
2 non-remarkable red-brown parenchyma.  
3

4 CENTRAL NERVOUS SYSTEM: There is a 1 inch area of red-purple glistening  
5 soft tissue hemorrhage present in the mid-occiput area. There is a 1 inch area of soft  
6 tissue hemorrhage in the left temporal area. Otherwise the soft tissue about the cranial  
7 vault is normal. The brain weighs 1,340 grams. The gyri and sulci of the cerebral  
8 hemispheres are normal. Sectioning of the brain reveals no abnormalities. No contusions  
9 are noted. The ventricular system of the brain is non-remarkable. No subdural or  
10 subarachnoid hemorrhages are present. The vessels at the base of the brain are non-  
11 remarkable. Stripping the dura from the inner table of the skull reveals no abnormalities.  
12

13  
14 SPECIMENS:

- 15  
16 1) Heart blood  
17 2) Leg blood  
18 3) Liver  
19 4) Urine  
20 5) Tissue  
21

22  
23 END OF REPORT

24  
25  11-16-18  
26 \_\_\_\_\_  
27 Thomas W. Rogers, M.D.  
28 Forensic Pathologist

29 TWR:PMT  
30 D: 10/30/2018  
31 T: 10/31/2018