



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Date: May 10, 2016
Complaint Number: 16-122317
Type of Incident: Death Investigation
Location: 15175 Peach Ridge, Kent City, MI
Detective:
Supervisor Approval: Sgt. Tom Raymond

UPDATE
Wednesday, May 11, 2016

Name: Ronald Finkler, 49 years old, from Kent City, MI

Autopsy completed today, May 11, 2016. There are no signs of trauma or foul play. The death is believed to be from natural causes.

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Tuesday, May 10, 2016, at approximately 9:40 a.m., Kent County Sheriff deputies were dispatched to 15175 Peach Ridge, Kent City. Family members had not heard from the 49 year old man for several days. The family members called police to check on his well-being. Upon arrival, police found the man deceased from unknown causes. There is no immediate indication of foul play.

Upon further investigation, deputies found a 2 ½ year old girl inside the home. The victim was caring for his friend's child.

The child is unharmed and has been transported to Helen DeVos Children's Hospital for evaluation. The child has been turned over to Child Protective Services for disposition.

Detectives and the Medical Examiners' Office are continuing their investigation into the cause of death.