



**Ohio Attorney General's Office
Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report**



2025-3488
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 371 SR 180, Chillicothe,
OH 45601 (L)

Investigative Activity: Preliminary Autopsy Report Review
Involves: Bryan Rothe
Activity Date: 01/05/2026
Authoring Agent: SA James Poole

Narrative:

On Monday, January 05, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent James Poole (SA Poole) reviewed a hard copy of the Preliminary Autopsy Report from the Montgomery County Coroner's Office. The correspondence consisted of the autopsy report for Bryan Rothe (Rothe).

SA Poole reviewed the report and noted the following:

The autopsy report was authored by Lee Lahman Ph.D M.D. The "CAUSE OF DEATH" for Bryan Rothe was not listed and the "MANNER OF DEATH" was not listed due to the document being a preliminary report.

The information deemed to be the most relevant to this inquiry is summarized below for the convenience of the reader. However, as the author is not a doctor, it is suggested that the report be viewed in its entirety to ensure no pertinent information has been omitted or described out-of-context.

Injuries included:

- [REDACTED]

A digital copy of the Ohio BCI Laboratory report is Attached. Please refer to report for further details.

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References:

N/A

Attachments:

Autopsy Prelim Report

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PRELIMINARY AUTOPSY REPORT

CASE# 25-1026-2

NAME: BRYAN ROTHE

DATE OF AUTOPSY: 10/27/2025

LOCATION: MCCO

DATE PRE-LIM REPORT RECEIVED: 10/27/2025

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