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Prisoner serving 20 years for manslaughter dies

JACKSON, MISS. – An inmate serving 20 years for manslaughter in Lowndes County has died while in prison.

Omar Beard, 36, died Wednesday at Merit Health Rankin in Brandon. His death appears to be from natural causes. An autopsy will determine the official cause and the manner of death.

Beard, MDOC #221215, was sentenced on Feb. 6, 2019. He was housed at the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Rankin County.