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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION BY MEDICAL EXAMINER

DECEDENT First-Middle-Last Names (Please avoid use of initials)	Age	Birth Date	Race	Sex
LAUREN MARIE HARROGATE	16	01/22/2010	White	F

HOME ADDRESS - No. - Street, City, State
230 Crescent St, Northampton, MA 01060

EXAMINER NOTIFIED BY - NAME - TITLE (AGENCY, INSTITUTION, OR ADDRESS)	DATE	TIME
Marcus Cole, Detective, Northampton Police Department	05/01/2026	06:45 am

	CITY	COUNTY	TYPE OF PREMISES	DATE	TIME
INJURED OR BECAME ILL AT (ADDRESS): Unknown, last seen 8h prior at her home	Northampton	Hampshire	Residential Home	04/30/2026	appr. 10:30pm
LOCATION OF DEATH: Decommissioned transmission tower, off Childe's Park	Northampton	Hampshire	Derelict Building	05/01/2026	appr. 12:00am - 06:00 am
BODY VIEWED BY MEDICAL EXAMINER: Jeremy Shelton M.D.	Northampton	Hampshire	Autopsy Suite	05/01/2026	08:07am

TRANSPORTATION INJURY ☐ DRIVER ☐ PASSENGER ☐ PEDESTRIAN

TYPE OF VEHICLE: ☐ AUTOMOBILE ☐ LIGHT TRUCK ☐ HEAVY TRUCK ☐ BICYCLE ☐ MOTORCYCLE ☐ OTHER: _____

DESCRIPTION OF BODY	RIGOR	LIVOR	EXTERNAL OBSERVATION		NOSE	MOUTH	EARS
EXTERNAL PHYSICAL EXAMINATION	Jaw ☑ Complete ☐	Color Pale Purple-Red	Beard n/a	Hair Blonde	BLOOD ☐	☐	☐
	Neck ☑ Absent ☑	Lateral ☐	Eyes: Color Blue	Mustache n/a	OTHER ☐	☐	☐
	Arms ☑ Passing ☐	Posterior ☑	Opacities				
	Legs ☑ Passed ☐	Anterior ☐	Pupils: R 4 mm	L 4 mm			
	Decomposed ☐	Regional	Body Length 62 IN	Body Weight			

Significant observations and injury documentations - (Please use space below)

Decedent found fully undressed, upright, bound to steel transmission tower structure with galvanized wire ligatures (wrists, ankles, torso).

Thoracic region: Bilateral incisions along posterior ribcage (paravertebral, T1–T12). Ribs 2–8 reflected outward bilaterally. Sternum partially fractured but intact. Lungs fully extracted and woven through reflected rib structure, described as "intentional interlacing" in autopsy notes. Perimortem tissue reaction present, chest opened while heart was still beating.

Abdominal region: Midline incision from xiphoid to pubis. Liver and spleen absent, removal appears deliberate and traumatic. Liver and Spleen pedicles shows signs of exsanguination.

Blood: estimate 15-5% of total blood volume remaining in body. Minimal staining at scene, dried blood on Decendent's torso and abdomen.

Probable Cause of Death:
Exsanguination due to thoracic and abdominal trauma.

Manner of Death:
Natural ☐ Accident ☐
Suicide ☐ Homicide ☑
Unknown ☐ Pending ☐
Not Assigned ☐

Case disposition:
Autopsy YES
Authorized by JEREMY SHELTON M.D.
Pathologist JEREMY SHELTON M.D.
Not a medical examiner case ☐

Other significant conditions contributing to death (but not resulting in the underlying cause given)
Bilateral paravertebral incisions; ribs 2–8 reflected outward after separation from sternum. Lungs fully extracted. Liver and spleen absent.

MEDICAL EXAMINER:
Name, and Address:

JEREMY SHELTON M.D.

I hereby state that, after receiving notice of the death described herein, I conducted an investigation as to the cause and manner of death, as required by law, and that the facts contained herein regarding such death are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature of Medical Examiner — JEREMY SHELTON M.D.
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05/01/2026 Date Case Initiated
05/03/2026 Date Case Finalize

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