



# Allen County Coroner

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On Wednesday, September 22, 2020 at about 2320 hours the Fort Wayne Police Department was contacted reference a male white, found down in the roadway in the 600 block of Lewis Street, Fort Wayne. FWPD Officers and paramedics arrived on scene and found the decedent who was unresponsive and was transported to a local hospital. The decedent was found to have been shot and was admitted in critical condition. The decedent remained at the hospital until death was pronounced on September 23, 2020.

The autopsy has been completed and the next of kin has been notified of the death.

The deceased has been identified as James Jeffery Hines, male white, 53 years of age from Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The Cause of Death is Gunshot Wound(s) and then Manner of Death is Homicide.

James Jeffery Hines is the 37<sup>th</sup> Homicide in Allen County for 2020.

This remains under investigation by the Fort Wayne Police Department, the Allen County Prosecuting Attorney's Office and the Allen County Coroner's Office.

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