

# CORONER OF WAYNE COUNTY

EDWARD R. HOWELL, PSY.D, FD

DR. EDWARD R. HOWELL  
*Coroner*

CAROL R. LIENERT  
*Senior Death Investigator  
Coroner Emeritus*



WAYNE COUNTY, PA  
NORTHERN POCONO MOUNTAINS

MARK M. JAMES  
*Chief Deputy*

LAURA WALKER-SWINGLE  
*Death Investigation Sergeant*

2022

## 619 TOTAL CASES REFERRED TO CORONER

DEATHS INVESTIGATED FOR IRREVERSIBLE DISPOSITION (CREMATION/DONATION)	391
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DEATHS INVESTIGATED AND CERTIFIED BY CORONER	70
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DEATHS INVESTIGATED BY CORONER AND RELEASED TO ATTENDING MEDICAL PROVIDER FOR CERTIFICATION	157
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PERMISSION GIVEN TO VITAL RECORDS FOR CERTIFICATE SIGNED BY ATTENDING PHYSICIAN	1
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POST MORTEM EXAMINATIONS	23
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SUMMARY TO FOLLOW:

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CLERK OF COURTS  
WAYNE COUNTY, PA  
PROBATIONARY AND

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**2022 DEATHS INVESTIGATED & CERTIFIED BY THE CORONER**

**41 NATURAL**

Acute Cardiopulmonary Failure due to Chronic Ischemic Heart Disease due to Chronic Kidney Disease due to Diabetes Mellitus	1
Acute Myocardial Infarction due to Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease	1
Acute Myocardial Infarction due to Diabetes Mellitus Type II due to Hypertension	1
Acute Pneumonia	1
Aortic Stenosis due to Coronary Artery Disease due to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease due to Obesity	1
Arteriosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease	2
Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease	3
Cardiac Arrest due to Hypoxia due to Asthma	1
Cardiac Dysrhythmia	1
Cardiorespiratory Arrest due to Coronary Artery Disease due to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease due to Hypercholesterolemia	1
Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease due to Emphysema due to Tobacco Use	1
Complications of Mediastinal Mass	1
Covid-19	1
Failure to Thrive due to Dementia due to Advanced Age	1
Failure to Thrive due to Neurocognitive Disorder	1
Hemorrhagic & Hypovolemic Shock due to Chest Wall Hematoma due to Cardiac Arrest due to Anoxic Brain Injury	1
Hypertensive Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease	1
Malignant Neoplasm of the Lung	1
Metastatic Cancer due to Malignant Neoplasm of Lung	1
Metastatic Kidney Cancer	1
Metastatic Squamous Cell Carcinoma	1

Multiorgan Failure due to Septic Shock due to Acute Renal Failure due to Alcohol Abuse	1
Myocardial Insufficiency due to Congestive Heart Failure	1
Myocardial Insufficiency due to Hypertension due to Diabetes Mellitus due to Sleep Apnea	1
Myocardial Insufficiency due to Tobacco Use	1
Myocardial Vascular Insufficiency	2
Myocardial Vascular Insufficiency due to Atrial Fibrillation due to Alcohol Dependence	1
Myocardial Vascular Insufficiency due to Diabetes Mellitus	1
Myocardial Vascular Insufficiency due to Diabetes Mellitus Type II due to Medical Non-Compliance	1
Myocardial Vascular Insufficiency due to Diabetes Mellitus Type II due to Morbid Obesity due to Medical Non-Compliance	1
Probable Pulmonary Embolism	1
Sudden Cardiac Death due to Chronic Liver Disease	1
Sudden Cardiac Death due to Coronary Artery Disease	1
Sudden Cardiac Death due to Hypertension due to Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease	1
Sudden Cardiac Death due to Peripheral Arterial Disease due to Hypertension	1
Sudden Cardiac Death due to Probable Covid	1
Type II Diabetes Mellitus due to Alcohol Abuse due to Medical Non-Compliance	1

## 20 ACCIDENT

Asphyxia due to Blunt Force Trauma due to Tree Cutting Accident	1
Asphyxia due to Hanging	1
Asphyxia due to Mechanical Compression due to All Terrain Vehicle Accident	1
Blunt Force Head Injuries due to Motor Vehicle Accident	1
Blunt Force Injuries due to Aviation Crash	1
Blunt Force Injuries due to Motorcycle Accident	1
Blunt Force Injuries due to Motor Vehicle Collision	1
Bupropion Toxicity	1
Carbon Monoxide Poisoning due to Vehicle Fire due to Motor Vehicle Accident	1
Combined Pharmacologic Effects of Fentanyl and Gabapentin	1
Combined Toxic Effects of Methamphetamine, Fentanyl, Acetyl Fentanyl, Lorazepam, and Duloxetine	1
Epidural Hematoma due to Odontoid Fracture due to Fall	1
Fentanyl Toxicity	1

Fentanyl and Methamphetamine Toxicity	1
Intracerebral Hemorrhage due to Traumatic Fall	1
Mixed Drug Intoxication Complicating Acute Pneumonia and Acute Esophageal Necrosis	1
Mixed Drug Toxicity (Including Fentanyl, Methamphetamine, MDMA)	1
Multiple Blunt Force Trauma due to Motor Vehicle Collision	1
Pharmacologic Effects of Diphenhydramine and Sertraline Complicated by Multifactorial Cardiovascular Disease	1
Pharmacologic Effects of Fluoxetine, Diphenhydramine, Dextromethorphan, and Ethanol	1

#### 9 SUICIDE

Asphyxia due to Hanging	2
Gunshot Wound to the Abdomen	1
Gunshot Wound to the Chest	1
Gunshot Wound to the Head	5

#### HOMICIDE

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#### PENDING

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