

Coroners Officer:



INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF
**Ruby Josephine
Dorothea LAKE**

Case Number: 1004/08

Opened: 14th May 2008

Inquest Date: 18/03/2009.

CORONER'S OFFICERS' INQUEST CHECKLIST

Case Name:	Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE
Case Ref:	1004/08

DOCUMENTS REQUESTED:

DOCUMENT	REQUESTED FROM	DATE	RECEIVED
Post Mortem	N/A	-	-
Toxicology	N/A	-	-
Other Medical			
Police Report	Det Chief Supt Williams		
Other Reports & Statements			
CO1 / Opening	To Caroline	11/15/08	

FUNERAL DIRECTORS**FAMILY DETAILS****Mrs D Mussell (Daughter)**

Code A

Mrs M Woodford (Daughter)

Code A

Mrs P Robinson (Daughter)

Code A

Code A

Name and Surname of deceased

Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE

To be completed by Registrar

District & SD No.

Register No.

Entry No.

PART V ACCIDENT OR MISADVENTURE (including deaths from neglect or from anaesthetics)

1. Place where accident occurred

- | | |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 0. Home | 5. Street or highway |
| 1. Farm | 6. Public building |
| 2. Mine or quarry | 7. Resident institution |
| 3. Industrial place or premises | 8. Other specified place |
| 4. Place of recreation or sport | 9. Place not known |

2. To be completed for all persons aged 16 and over

When injury was received deceased was

1. On way to, or from work
2. At work
3. Elsewhere

3. Details of how accident happened :

4. If motor vehicle incident, deceased was

- | | |
|--|--|
| 0. Driver of motor vehicle other than motor cycle | 5. Rider of animal; occupant of animal-drawn vehicle |
| 1. Passenger in motor vehicle other than motor cycle | 6. Pedal cyclist |
| 2. Motor cyclist | 7. Pedestrian |
| 3. Passenger on motor cycle | 8. Other specified person |
| 4. Occupant of tram car | 9. Not known |

5. Interval between injury and death

1. Less than one year
2. One year or more

Narrative VerdictRuby Josephine Dorothea LAKE

The deceased was an inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving Opioid Medication at the time of death. The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.

Code A

Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE

The Deceased was an Inpatient at Gosport War Memorial Hospital and was receiving opioid medication by syringe driver at the time of death

1. Did the administration of any medication contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased ?

~~Yes/No~~

If Yes :

2. Was that medication given for therapeutic purposes ?

Yes/No

If Yes :

3. Was that medication appropriate for the condition or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering ?

Yes/No

The National Programme on Substance Abuse Deaths (np-SAD)

NOTIFICATION OF DRUG RELATED DEATHS

Section I Demographic Information

Deceased forename(s): Ruby Josephine Dorothea Gender: Male Female

Family Name: LAKE Other names known by: None

Date of birth: Code A Place of birth: Ryde, Isle of Wight

Usual Address: Code A
Postcode: _____

Ethnicity : (tick one only)

- White Pakistani Black African Other, specify : _____
 Chinese Bangladeshi Black Carribean
 Not Known Indian Black other, specify: _____

Occupational Status : (tick one only)

- Employed (Manual) Unemployed Retired Not known
 Employed (Non-Manual) Childcare/Houseperson Student/Pupil
 Self employed Invalidity/Sickness Other, specify : _____

Living Arrangements : (tick one only)

- Alone Self & children No fixed abode
 With partner With parents Not Known
 With partner & children With friends Other, specify : _____

Section II Background Information

Police Officer's report:

Recent history of drug use and other relevant information:

Was the deceased on prescribed psychoactive medication ? Yes No Not known

If yes, please list drugs:

- | | |
|------------------------|----------|
| 1. <u>See attached</u> | 4. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ |

Was the deceased a drug addict or known drug abuser? Yes No Not known

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Section III Details of Death

Date of death : 21 \ 8 \ 1998

Place of death : (tick one only)

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Home | <input type="checkbox"/> Residential premises (e.g. hotel) | <input type="checkbox"/> In custody |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Place of work | <input type="checkbox"/> Street or highway | <input type="checkbox"/> Place of recreation/sport |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Treatment centre | <input type="checkbox"/> Educational institution | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Hospital |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other place, specify _____ | | |

Cause(s) of death (as given on the death certificate)

1(a) **Bronchopneumonia**

(b)

(c)

2 **Fractured Neck of Femur Repaired 05.08.98**

Toxicology

No PM

Please list drugs and alcohol present at post mortem (in order of importance, if known)

	Drug/alcohol	Level				Drug/alcohol	Level		
		B	T	U			B	T	U
1.					4.				
2.					5.				
3.					6.				

B = Blood; T = Tissues; U = Urine

Section IV Coroner's Verdict

Narrative Verdict

Section V Coroner's Details

Coroner's name: David Clark Horsley

Date inquest completed: 18/03/2009

Jurisdiction:

Office: Room T20

Signature:

Code A

Date : 4th March 2010

Please send completed form to:

*National Programme on Substance Abuse Deaths (np-SAD)
International Centre for Drug Policy
St George's University of London
FREEPOST LON 10141, London SW17 0BR*

For general enquiries: Tel 020 8725 2623 or Fax 020 8266 6494

Version 4 of complete report 15 May 2008 – Ruby Lake

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Paracetamol	08/08	1 gram oral PRN	? (at Hasler)	1 or 2 doses most days 08/08 – 16/08
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Yes/No

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Yes/No

Gosport WMH

Narrative Verdicts

In all cases

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PITTOCK The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.

LAVENDER The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes. That medication was appropriate for the condition of symptoms from which the deceased was suffering.

SERVICE The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.

LAKE Ditto – As SERVICE above.

CUNNINGHAM The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes. That medication was appropriate for the condition or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering.

PACKMAN The administration of medication did contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased. The medication was given for therapeutic purposes the medication was not appropriate for the conditions or symptoms from which the deceased was suffering.

WILSON Ditto – As PACKMAN above.

DEVINE Ditto – As PACKMAN above.

SPURGIN The administration of medication did not contribute more than minimally or negligibly to the death of the deceased.

GREGORY Ditto – As SPURGIN above

Code A

Code A

INQUEST CHECKLISTName: **Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE**Ref: **1004/08**

Date Reported: 13.05.2008

DATE OPENED: 14.05.2008

By: RMB

INQUEST by RMB

Time allocated: 6 weeks

**Wednesday, 18 March 2009 at 10.00am in the Coroner's Court in the
Portsmouth Combined Courts Building, Winston Churchill Avenue, Portsmouth, PO1 2EB**

Jury: Yes

Listing Office notified

Room Booked

F99/INQ PREPARED

PRESS DETAILS:

HCC MEDIA UPDATED

Born: Lived at: Gosport

Died on: 21.08.1998

Died at: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

Type of Inquest: Medical

ADJOURNED TO:

Date: day, Time: to By:

At:

AFTER INQUEST**VERDICT**
..... Database Death Entry Register Drugs Form Other Form Tape Recorded In File for

Other Inquests on Tape

Coroners Initial Sudden Death Report

CO/1

Date Reported: 13/05/2008 Ref: Number 1004/08 Type of Case: Inquest

Name: Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE

Address: Code A

Date of Birth: Code A

Age: 84 Years.

Date of Death: 21st August 1998

Place of Death: Gosport War Memorial Ward:

Mortuary:

Removed By:

Funeral Directors:

General Practitioner: Hospital Consultant:

Reported By: Family

Reason for Referral: Family concerns Y/N

Brief History: Died in Gosport War Memorial. This has been subject of a lengthy police investigation.

Initials:

Date: 13/05/2008

CAUSE OF DEATH:

- 1a)
1b)
1c)
2)

Pathologist:

INQUEST CASES:

Date Opened 14/5/08 Time: 9m Inquest Date: Time:

Adjournments:

Signed By: David Clark Horsley
Coroner, Portsmouth South East Hampshire

Date: 13th May 2008

Opening & Adjournment of an Inquest

Full Name of Deceased: Ruby Josephine Dorothea LAKE
Sex: Female **Age:** 84 years
Date of Death: 21st August 1998
Place of Death: Gosport War Memorial
Reported by: Family
 from:
 on:
Pathologist: N/A

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Address: Code A
Date of Birth: Code A
Place of Birth: Ryde, Isle of Wight
Deceased's Occupation: --
Marital Status: Widowed
Maiden Name: WHITE
Name of Deceased Husband: Not known
 Date of Birth:
 Occupation:

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CHILDREN UNDER 16 YEARS

Fathers Name: N/A
 Occupation:
Mothers Name: N/A
 Occupation:

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Circumstances of Death:

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Deceased Identified by: Unknown

Evidence given by: Lisa-Jane JOHN Coroners Officer.

Inquest into the above named deceased opened and adjourned to enable further enquiries to be made, upon the order of:

HM Coroner, Portsmouth & South East Hampshire

Dated: 14th May 2008

Mrs D Mussell

Code A

15 May 2008

Dear Mrs Mussell

Ruby Josephine Dorothea Lake Deceased:

Please note that on 14 May 2008 I opened an Inquest into the death of Mrs Lake.

I will continue to keep you informed of key stages of the Inquest process.

If you require a Coroner's Interim Death Certificate on Mrs Lake for any purpose, please contact me.

Yours sincerely

David C Horsley
Tel: 023 9268 8326

Email: **Code A**

cc Mrs M Woodford
Mrs P Robinson

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Coroner, Portsmouth South East Hampshire

Date: 13th May 2008

Code A

David C. Horley LLB
The Colonel's Office
Room T20,
The Guildhall
Guildhall Square,
Ponemouth PO1 2AJ.

RECEIVED

29 APR 2003

Dear Sir,

Please find enclosed, questionnaire re: my late mother's death.

Having spoken with my sisters, Mrs. P. Robinson + Mrs. M. Woodford, they are happy for me to forward it to you on behalf of us all.

Should you need this form in triplicate please let me know.

Yours faithfully,

Code A

RUBY JOSEPHINE DOROTHEA LAKE DECEASED

1. Full Name (if different from above):

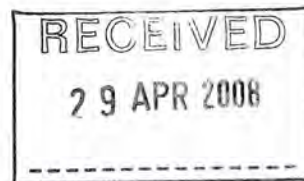
2. Maiden Name (if appropriate):

WHITE

1004/08

3. Last Permanent Address:

Code A



4. Date of Birth:

Code A

5. Place of Birth:

RYDE - ISLE OF WIGHT

6. Last Occupation Before Retirement (if known):

HOUSEWIFE

7. Marital Status:

WIDOW

8. Name of Surviving Spouse (if applicable):
