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Submitted on: Tuesday, March 4, 2025 at 7:16am

- First Name: John
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- Your Email Address: [jhcook1@gmail.com](mailto:jhcook1@gmail.com)
- Your District: District 1
- Meeting Date: 03/12/2025
- Section of Agenda you would like to comment on: Public Comment
- Your Comment: I wanted to comment to the reporting Affairs Officer.reference Gene Hackman and wife's deaths.

The only thing that is stated from the Corner that makes sense in his findings is the dog found still in the cage died of starvation and dehydration. Although Gene at 95 did likely fell down or dropped dead as he entered the mud room when returning from a walk (the mud room is the first room of entry from outside)when his pace maker had stopped Feb 7, 25. Betsy his wife was likely with him as she would have walked together with him to enjoy the walk and support her husband in his walking. (As seen in their last public photo together) Also Asian people love outdoors and walking. (My late Asian wife did and her entire family when we visited the Philippines and her dad 92 now looks 75) if she wasn't accompanying him I'd be surprised but:

A: if she was with him and he had fell and likely was unconscious then she would have called 911, for help!

B: if she wasn't accompanying him (I'd be shocked) then she may have heard him calling her for help. (Unlikely) but again she would have called 911.

Anyone in right mind would have called 911, in the above both A&B scenario.

I've never heard of anyone trying to help someone either with or without known health issues at that age by running to retrieve any sort of medication ever. Kinda a little bit off the chart thought, but it may get you some fame! Lol..

C: in either A or B B scenario her being of Asian descent and being together for the 30 years plus she may have decided to go and be with him simply taking extra medication already on or just went in the bathroom and sat and sat there until she passed out and if awake she still just wanted to sleep and be with him. The last thing makes more sense as Asian culture takes little medicine or she did being Americanized so long.

Just my input, (common sense)

Former Deputy Sheriff,

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