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UTAH Domestic Violence Related Deaths in 2020

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| Count | Name | Date of Death | Age | Children | Cause of Death | Location | Fatality Caused By | Circumstances |
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| 1 | John H. Peel | 01/10/2020 | 74 | TBD | Stabbing | Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County | Grandson | <p>A man was arrested Saturday morning after police say he stabbed his grandfather to death and then set the house ablaze to conceal the killing. On Friday morning, fire crews responded to a fire and learned the lone occupant of the home, John H. Peel, 74, had not escaped the flames. After putting out the fire, crews found Peel's body with stab wounds, Wilking said.</p> <p>Maxwell Wolcott, 28, was arrested and booked into Salt Lake County Jail for investigation of murder, aggravated arson, aggravated burglary, abuse or desecration of a dead human body, and obstruction of justice, according to a police affidavit filed in support of his arrest.</p> <p>According to the affidavit, Wolcott told officers in an interview that he drove to his grandfather's home "with the intention of killing him" and later returned to douse the body with lighter fluid "with the hope of destroying evidence." A possible motive for the killing was not released.</p> |
| 2 | Alejandra | 01/17/2020 | 52 | 5 | Gunshot | Grantsville, | Son | A 16-year-old from Grantsville was charged with 10 |

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| | Consuelo Haynie | | | | | Tooele County | | <p>felony counts in the shooting deaths of his mother and three siblings and for allegedly also trying to kill his father.</p> <p>Colin Jeffery Haynie first killed his mother, Alejandra Consuelo, and youngest sister, Milan, 12, on Jan. 17 after the pair came home from school. This was around 1 p.m. CJ Haynie then killed his remaining siblings as they returned home. Alexis, 17, was killed next. Then Matthew, 14, around 5:15 p.m. All were shot in the head, chest or shoulder with a handgun.</p> <p>When CJ Haynie's father, also named Colin, came home about an hour later, the teen allegedly shot him in the leg. The father and son started fighting, and CJ Haynie allegedly hit his father in the head, causing a cut. CJ Haynie's father told police that he told his son "that the defendant's mother would be sad if the defendant killed him." That's when CJ Haynie allegedly told his father that the rest of the family were already dead. His father said that CJ Haynie said he wanted to "kill everyone in the house except himself."</p> <p>CJ Haynie's father eventually got the gun away from the teen. News of the killings reached police just after 7 p.m. Friday, when a neighbor called 911 to report she'd gone over to the Haynie home on Eastmoor Drive and met CJ Haynie, who told her he'd killed his family. The neighbor and her husband drove CJ and his injured father, Colin Haynie, 50, to Mountain West Medical Center in Tooele. There, CJ Haynie was arrested.</p> <p>Court documents do not indicate a motive for the killings at this time.</p> |
| 3 | Alexis Haynie | 01/17/2020 | 15 | N/A | Gunshot | Grantsville, Tooele County | Brother | A 16-year-old from Grantsville was charged with 10 felony counts in the shooting deaths of his mother and three siblings and for allegedly also trying to kill his |

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| 5 | Milan Haynie | 01/17/2020 | 12 | N/A | Gunshot | Grantsville, Tooele County | Brother | <p>A 16-year-old from Grantsville was charged with 10 felony counts in the shooting deaths of his mother and three siblings and for allegedly also trying to kill his father.</p> <p>Colin Jeffery Haynie first killed his mother, Alejandra Consuelo, and youngest sister, Milan, 12, on Jan. 17 after the pair came home from school. This was around 1 p.m. CJ Haynie then killed his remaining siblings as they returned home. Alexis, 17, was killed next. Then Matthew, 14, around 5:15 p.m. All were shot in the head, chest or shoulder with a handgun.</p> <p>When CJ Haynie's father, also named Colin, came home about an hour later, the teen allegedly shot him in the leg. The father and son started fighting, and CJ Haynie allegedly hit his father in the head, causing a cut. CJ Haynie's father told police that he told his son "that the defendant's mother would be sad if the defendant killed him." That's when CJ Haynie allegedly told his father that the rest of the family were already dead. His father said that CJ Haynie said he wanted to "kill everyone in the house except himself."</p> <p>CJ Haynie's father eventually got the gun away from the teen. News of the killings reached police just after 7 p.m. Friday, when a neighbor called 911 to report she'd gone over to the Haynie home on Eastmoor Drive and met CJ Haynie, who told her he'd killed his family. The neighbor and her husband drove CJ and his injured father, Colin Haynie, 50, to Mountain West Medical Center in Tooele. There, CJ Haynie was arrested.</p> <p>Court documents do not indicate a motive for the killings at this time.</p> |
| 6 | Marc Dominic | 02/03/2020 | 56 | UNK | Gunshot | Millcreek, Salt | Police | Unified police said officers responded to a home on the |

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| | Neal | | | | | Lake County | | <p>report of a domestic situation with a gun (between a mother and son). Police said when they arrived, they encountered Marc Dominic Neal, 56, who police said was armed with a firearm.</p> <p>“He was threatening suicide a few days ago — he didn’t have a weapon. So, within the last few days, somehow he obtained a weapon and this is what happened,” said Neal’s sister. “I don’t think he’s been taking his meds, and when he mixes it with methamphetamine he gets — he does get violent,” added Kolibas.</p> <p>Police said “officers attempted for several minutes to de-escalate the situation and convince Neal to put the firearm down” before shots were fired. Neal was killed in the shooting.</p> |
| 7 | Nathan Edgar Brower | 02/07/2020 | 40 | 2 | Gunshot | West Valley City, Salt Lake County | Girlfriend’s ex-husband | <p>West Valley police say a man shot and killed his ex-wife’s boyfriend Friday morning, seriously injured her and then committed suicide in a stranger’s house 3 miles away.</p> <p>A woman called 911 about 6:20 a.m. reporting that she and her boyfriend had been shot by her ex-husband, according to police. Officers responded. A man was found deceased in the front yard and the woman, who was shot multiple times, was taken to a local hospital in serious condition, according to police.</p> <p>The home belongs to the boyfriend, police said.</p> <p>Two children, ages 5 and 10, were in the home at the time of the shootings. The children’s parents are the woman and ex-husband, said West Valley police spokeswoman Roxeanne Vainuku.</p> <p>About 7:30 a.m., a nearby neighbor called police reporting that he had found a man in his shower, Vainuku said. The man appeared to be sleeping at the</p> |

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| 8 | Jeremy Reed Harris | 02/07/2020 | 40 | 2 | Gunshot | West Valley City, Salt Lake County | Self-inflicted | <p>West Valley police say a man shot and killed his ex-wife's boyfriend Friday morning, seriously injured her and then committed suicide in a stranger's house 3 miles away.</p> <p>A woman called 911 about 6:20 a.m. reporting that she and her boyfriend had been shot by her ex-husband, according to police. Officers responded. A man was found deceased in the front yard and the woman, who was shot multiple times, was taken to a local hospital in serious condition, according to police.</p> <p>The home belongs to the boyfriend, police said.</p> <p>Two children, ages 5 and 10, were in the home at the time of the shootings. The children's parents are the woman and ex-husband, said West Valley police spokeswoman Roxeanne Vainuku.</p> |

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| 9 | Natalie Thurber | 02/10/2020 | 34 | UNK | Gunshot | Salt Lake City, Salt Lake County | Boyfriend | <p>About 3:30 a.m., Natalie Thurber, 34, of Salt Lake City, called 911 to report a domestic problem, said Unified Police Sgt. Melody Gray. Officers responded to an apartment complex at 125 S. 300 East.</p> <p>Neighbors also heard a disturbance and called the police.</p> <p>The first arriving officers could hear the disturbance from outside the apartment. At some point as they approached the apartment, there was an exchange of gunfire through a window between the gunman and officers, Salt Lake police detective Greg Wilking said.</p> <p>One officer was shot in the leg and was taken to a local hospital to be treated for the wound. The injury was not</p> |

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| | | | | | | | | <p>considered to be life-threatening, according to Wilking.</p> <p>The gunman ran from the apartment. He was captured a short time later near 200 South and 500 East with the help of a security guard, according to police. He was then taken to the hospital to be treated for a gunshot wound and will be booked into jail after he is released.</p> <p>When officers went inside the apartment where the shooting occurred, Thurber was found deceased. A cause of death was not immediately released. Police believe she was dead before officers arrived.</p> <p>According to law enforcement officials, Thurber and the suspect were not married but were in a domestic situation together.</p> |
| 10 | Carlos Vizcarra-Corona | 03/11/2020 | 33 | At least 1, TBD | Blunt force trauma | Kearns, Salt Lake County | Wife | <p>On March 11, Unified police detectives were called to a report of an unconscious man. Carlos Vizcarra-Corona, 33, was pronounced dead shortly after emergency crews arrived.</p> <p>Vizcarra told detectives that her husband “has a serious alcohol problem and takes too much Tylenol. (He) had been in the hospital for the alcohol abuse about four months ago. There were healing bruises found on (his) chest, back and face,” according to a police affidavit.</p> <p>Vizcarra told investigators that her husband’s injuries were the result of a fight he had at work two weeks earlier, the affidavit states.</p> <p>“We continued the investigation as it appeared alcohol related,” police wrote in their affidavit.</p> <p>But on March 12, the Utah State Medical Examiner’s Office determined that while “(Vizcarra-Corona) did have some serious medical issues due to alcohol use</p> |

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| | | | | | | | | <p>... his cause of death was blunt force trauma with a ruptured spleen and would be ruled a homicide. The injury was in a stage of healing but was unable to heal due to the extensive damage," the affidavit states.</p> <p>After conducting more interviews, detectives learned Vizcarra-Corona never had a fight at work, but he did have fights with his wife on Feb. 27 and again on March 11 in which she allegedly beat him "with a staple gun and or nail gun," according to the affidavit.</p> |
| 11 | Ashley Sorenson | 04/22/2020 | 35 | N/A | Gunshot | South Jordan, Salt Lake County | Self-inflicted | <p>Just after 6 a.m., officers responded to a domestic violence situation between a boyfriend and girlfriend. Sgt. Sam Winkler said when officers arrived, the man had left the scene and they were unable to make contact with the woman. Later, around 9:40 a.m., a friend of the couple went to the residence to check on the woman and found her dead from a gunshot wound.</p> <p>Ashley Sorenson's death has been ruled a suicide, South Jordan Police announced Tuesday. The announcement also clarified details of the 6 a.m. domestic violence call, stating that the couple were arguing and Sorenson had a handgun, and officers then assisted the man out of the residence. No crime at that point had occurred, police say.</p> |
| 12 | Miranda Schachinger | 05/01/2020 | 26 | 1 | Gunshot | Midvale, Salt Lake County | Boyfriend | <p>A woman was killed Friday in Midvale after an incident of suspected domestic violence, and police say early evidence indicates the person who shot her then killed himself.</p> <p>Police said Isaac Andre Renfro, 26, had sent photos and videos to someone suggesting a woman had been hurt. That person forwarded the images to police. Hansen wouldn't elaborate on what the photos and videos showed, but said they proved "there had been a significant issue inside." The woman was later</p> |

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| | | | | | | | | <p>identified as Miranda Schachinger, also 26.</p> <p>Officers went to the apartment and asked building residents to shelter in place. Hansen said police had been talking to Renfro on the phone. Then gun shots rang out and communication stopped. He said SWAT team was called to the apartments and sent a robot inside. The robot never saw any movement, so police decided to go in. They found Renfro and Schachinger dead, both apparently shot.</p> <p>Police are still investigating what happened, but Hansen said it appears to be a murder-suicide.</p> |
| 13 | Isaac Andre Renfrow | 05/01/2020 | 26 | TBD | Gunshot | Midvale, Salt Lake County | Self-inflicted | <p>A woman was killed Friday in Midvale after an incident of suspected domestic violence, and police say early evidence indicates the person who shot her then killed himself.</p> <p>Police said Isaac Andre Renfro, 26, had sent photos and videos to someone suggesting a woman had been hurt. That person forwarded the images to police. Hansen wouldn't elaborate on what the photos and videos showed, but said they proved "there had been a significant issue inside." The woman was later identified as Miranda Schachinger, also 26.</p> <p>Officers went to the apartment and asked building residents to shelter in place. Hansen said police had been talking to Renfro on the phone. Then gun shots rang out and communication stopped. He said SWAT team was called to the apartments and sent a robot inside. The robot never saw any movement, so police decided to go in. They found Renfro and Schachinger dead, both apparently shot.</p> <p>Police are still investigating what happened, but Hansen said it appears to be a murder-suicide.</p> |

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| 14 | Jeremy Hunter | 05/10/2020 | 47 | 4-5, TBD | Gunshot | Cedar City, Iron County | Stepson | <p>A man was shot and killed in Cedar City on Sunday by a gunman who later shot himself. Officers responded at approximately 10:38 p.m. after a report of shots fired, according to the Cedar City Police Department. When they arrived, they found the 47-year-old Jeremy Hunter, who died from multiple gunshot wounds. The suspect, 26-year-old Chaz Bennett, had fled the scene on foot, according to the department. He was located a few blocks away.</p> <p>As officers attempted to contact him, they saw he had two rifles. They commanded Bennett to drop the guns, but he fled on foot for a short distance before shooting himself, the department reported. Officers were able to render aid to the gunman and secure the weapons. Bennett was transported to the hospital by ambulance and was later flown to another hospital with life-threatening injuries.</p> <p>Police reported Wednesday that 26-year-old Chaz Bennett succumbed to the injuries he sustained from self-inflicted gunshot wounds. The motive for the shooting is currently being investigated.</p> |
| 15 | Chynna Toilolo | 05/12/2020 | 30 | N/A | TBD | Ogden, Weber County | Ex-boyfriend | <p>Toilolo's body was discovered by a passerby who called 911 to report "a possible dead body" near Ogden Canyon. Her death was immediately determined to be suspicious, said Weber County Sheriff's Lt. Cortney Ryan. Before Toilolo's body was discovered, her family had already set up a Facebook page stating that she was missing. According to the Call4Chynna page, she was last seen about midnight Saturday night and was last heard from about 3 a.m. Sunday when she texted her mother to tell her she was on her way home. Toilolo was last seen with an ex-boyfriend, according to the Facebook group.</p> <p>"(He) told (police) that he was with Chynna early</p> |

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| | | | | | | | | <p>Sunday morning, but she ended up leaving his house with an Uber around 4-4:30am," the group's posting says.</p> <p>The family said Tuesday one of the ex-boyfriend's neighbors contacted them stating "she has photos of Chynna leaving with (an ex-boyfriend) at exactly 5:07 a.m. on Sunday May 10." Several hours after the update, family members posted that Toilolo's body had been found.</p> <p>An arrest has been made in what police called a "suspicious death" after Lopine "Chynna" Toilolo's body was found near the Ogden River. Andy Dane Oketang Dennis was arrested Wednesday and held on charges of murder and two counts of obstruction of justice.</p> |
| 16 | Chaz Bennett | 05/13/2020 | 26 | UNK | Gunshot | Cedar City, Iron County | Self-inflicted | <p>A man was shot and killed in Cedar City on Sunday by a gunman who later shot himself. Officers responded at approximately 10:38 p.m. after a report of shots fired, according to the Cedar City Police Department. When they arrived, they found the 47-year-old Jeremey Hunter, who died from multiple gunshot wounds. The suspect, 26-year-old Chaz Bennett, had fled the scene on foot, according to the department. He was located a few blocks away.</p> <p>As officers attempted to contact him, they saw he had two rifles. They commanded Bennett to drop the guns, but he fled on foot for a short distance before shooting himself, the department reported. Officers were able to render aid to the gunman and secure the weapons. Bennett was transported to the hospital by ambulance and was later flown to another hospital with life-threatening injuries.</p> <p>Police reported Wednesday that 26-year-old Chaz</p> |

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| 17 | Ashlyn Black | 05/24/2020 | 25 | N/A | Stabbed to death | Layton, Davis County | Tinder date | <p>A Layton man was arrested Sunday after telling officers he killed a woman he had just met online, police said. At 3:19 a.m., Ethan Hunsaker, 24, called dispatch "reporting having killed a person inside his residence", according to Layton police. "Hunsaker stated to dispatch he 'did not know' the person he had just killed, but had met the victim on an application called Tinder," police wrote in an affidavit filed in support of his arrest.</p> <p>During the call, Hunsaker made suicidal statements to dispatchers and described a knife he owned, police said. When officers went to the home, Hunsaker "continued to tell officers to shoot him," according to the affidavit. Police saw the woman lying on the floor with multiple stab wounds to her torso. A knife was found near her body.</p> <p>Efforts to revive the woman were unsuccessful, and she was pronounced dead on scene, according to the statement.</p> <p>Police said Hunsaker described picking the woman up and visiting a bar with her before they went to his home and had sex. He told police the woman's first name but said he didn't know her last name. Hunsaker told police he woke up with the woman laying on his arm "as they were cuddling or spooning" when he began choking her. The woman tried to pull his arms away from her neck, police said. Hunsaker left to get a pocket knife from his kitchen, according to the affidavit. The woman was still laying on the bedroom floor when police said Hunsaker began stabbing her with the knife multiple times on her chest, side and back.</p> |

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| 18 | Nate Lyday | 05/28/2020 | 24 | N/A | Gunshot | Ogden, Weber County | Alleged domestic violence suspect | <p>An Ogden City Police officer, Nate Lyday, was killed in a shooting, police revealed in a press conference. John Benedict Coleman, 53, has been identified as the suspect in the shooting, according to the Ogden Police Department.</p> <p>The shooting started with Ogden police officers responding to a domestic violence call. A female called 911 to report that her husband was threatening to kill her, and the call was disconnected. A male confronted arriving officers on the home's porch, before returning back into the home and firing at officers through the closed door. At least one officer was hit by gunfire and was dragged from the scene by other officers.</p> <p>Doctors at the emergency room at McKay-Dee Hospital pronounced the officer dead. Another responding officer with Adult Probation and Parole was also shot. That officer was treated at the hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.</p> <p>Members of the SWAT team were able to extract children from the home, where the suspect was found deceased.</p> |
| 19 | John Benedict Coleman | 05/28/2020 | 53 | At least 1, TBD | Gunshot | Ogden, Weber County | Self-inflicted or police, TBD | <p>An Ogden City Police officer was killed in a shooting, police revealed in a press conference. John Benedict Coleman, 53, has been identified as the suspect in the shooting, according to the Ogden Police Department.</p> <p>The shooting started with Ogden police officers responding to a domestic violence call. A female called 911 to report that her husband was threatening to kill her, and the call was disconnected. A male confronted arriving officers on the home's porch, before returning back into the home and firing at officers through the closed door. At least one officer was hit by gunfire and</p> |

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| 20 | Ezra Osborn | 06/02/2020 | 10 | N/A | Gunshot | South Jordan, Salt Lake County | Father | <p>A man and his two sons are dead after what police say is a double murder-suicide in South Jordan. Police said the father was watching his boys, ages 8 and 10, at their mother's home.</p> <p>The mother returned home from work and discovered her 8-year old son critically injured, and South Jordan Police said she called for help. Lieutenant Matt Pennington with South Jordan Police explained that officers arrived, had the mother leave the home, and they went inside to find her other son dead. They also discovered the boys' biological father had died, they believe by suicide. He said the 8-year old was taken to Riverton Hospital, but passed away.</p> <p>Police are still investigating the cause of each death, as well as why this happened. They said the father didn't live at the home. Lt. Pennington said there is a, "short history of some domestic calls here dating back to November/October of last year, which is when I believe they went their separate ways. Nothing since then that we have in our system."</p> |
| 21 | Seth Osborn | 06/02/2020 | 8 | N/A | Gunshot | South Jordan, Salt Lake County | Father | <p>A man and his two sons are dead after what police say is a double murder-suicide in South Jordan. Police said the father was watching his boys, ages 8 and 10, at</p> |

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| 23 | Jose Vallejos | 06/02/2020 | 73 | TBD, at least one stepson | Gunshot | Manti, Sanpete County | Stepson | <p>Michael Hartnell, 32, was arrested for murder, a first-degree felony, and possession of a firearm by a restricted person, a third-degree felony, according to court documents. Sanpete County dispatch received a call Monday from a man, who identified himself as Hartnell. He said he shot someone and that he called 911 to turn himself in.</p> <p>Dispatch used emergency software to trace the phone call and number, which was registered to 73-year-old Jose Vallejos. Officers went to Vallejos' home in the Hideaway Valley area of Fairview at approximately 5:51 p.m., where they were greeted by Hartnell. Court documents state Hartnell confessed to calling 911 about the murder. He was taken into custody while officers cleared the residence and surrounding area. Vallejos' body was found in the living room of the residence.</p> <p>Hartnell said he and Vallejos did "not have a good relationship." The men lived together, but Vallejos would come and go, he said.</p> <p>Hartnell reportedly told investigators that when he had returned on Monday from filling jugs of water, Vallejos was there. Hartnell said he had taken a Ruger 9mm handgun out of Vallejos' vehicle a few weeks ago and that at the time of the shooting, he "decided to do it" grabbing "the pistol out of the center console... and cocked it." Court documents state Hartnell then walked into the home and shot Vallejos. He then drove Vallejos' car to the local fire station where he used the 73 year old's phone to call 911.</p> |

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| 24 | Lewis Ricky Yates, Jr. | 07/21/2020 | 50 | TBD | Vehicular homicide | West Valley City, Salt Lake County | Roommate | <p>Shamil Marcus Bikul, 40, was booked into the Salt Lake County Jail late Monday for investigation of aggravated murder. Court documents list a Draper address for him, but he currently lives in West Valley City.</p> <p>Bikul was driving a Nissan sedan when he hit Lewis Ricky Yates Jr., 50, who was riding a bicycle near 3650 South and 2700 West, just before 7 p.m. Sunday, according to a police booking affidavit. Bikul kept driving, "dragging (Yates) without slowing down."</p> <p>Bikul then made a U-turn and "at a high rate of speed going into the oncoming lane ... deliberately (struck) Ricky again," the affidavit states.</p> <p>West Valley police worked throughout Sunday night into Monday to track down Bikul and arrest him at a home in Draper.</p> <p>"Shamil deliberately ran over the deceased victim two times and told detectives that he is full of rage," the affidavit says.</p> <p>Police say Yates and Bikul were roommates who lived in the area.</p> |
| 25 | Heidi L. Bentley | 07/24/2020 | 38 | TBD | Gunshot | Providence, Cache County | Ex-husband | <p>At 11:45 p.m., sheriff's deputies responded to a domestic violence incident in a Providence apartment after someone called dispatch and told them he was on the phone with the woman and heard her scream "no" and possible gunshots, Cache County Sheriff Chad Jensen said in a statement.</p> <p>When deputies entered the apartment, they found the 38-year-old woman dead with gunshot wounds, Jensen said. Her name was not immediately released.</p> <p>Another witness also heard shots and heard a vehicle</p> |

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| | | | | | | | | <p>leave the apartment complex, Jensen said.</p> <p>“Investigators were able to identify different locations the suspect may have fled to, and with the assistance of a SWAT tactical team and crisis negotiators, they were able to pinpoint the home where our suspect was located. SWAT, using a robot, was able to determine the suspect was in the home with a self-inflicted gunshot wound and was deceased,” Jensen said.</p> |
| 26 | Matthew D. Bentley | 07/24/2020 | 38 | TBD | Gunshot | Providence, Cache County | Self-inflicted | <p>At 11:45 p.m., sheriff’s deputies responded to a domestic violence incident in a Providence apartment after someone called dispatch and told them he was on the phone with the woman and heard her scream “no” and possible gunshots, Cache County Sheriff Chad Jensen said in a statement.</p> <p>When deputies entered the apartment, they found the 38-year-old woman dead with gunshot wounds, Jensen said. Her name was not immediately released.</p> <p>Another witness also heard shots and heard a vehicle leave the apartment complex, Jensen said.</p> <p>“Investigators were able to identify different locations the suspect may have fled to, and with the assistance of a SWAT tactical team and crisis negotiators, they were able to pinpoint the home where our suspect was located. SWAT, using a robot, was able to determine the suspect was in the home with a self-inflicted gunshot wound and was deceased,” Jensen said.</p> |