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State prison offender Verlyn Julius death

SPRINGFIELD, S.D.— State prison offender Verlyn Julius has died.

Julius, age 83, passed away February 23 in a comfort care setting at Mike Durfee State Prison in Springfield.

At the time of his death, Julius was serving a 35-year sentence for first-degree rape out of Minnehaha County.

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