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## **Inmate Dies at University Medical Center**

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Jackson – State inmate Ruther Smith, #71139C, died as the result of a myocardial infarction at 1:00 a.m. today at the University Medical Center. Smith, a 72-year-old black male, was convicted in Warren County, Mississippi, and was serving a 30-year sentence for the sale of cocaine. An autopsy will be performed on inmate Landers' body in accordance with state law.