



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



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# **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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**Date/Time:** April 10, 2025, around 5:15 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2025-526590  
**Location:** 2000 West State Avenue  
**Victim:** William Henry Miller, 50-year-old, deceased  
**Suspect:** Nuru Niyonkuru, 36-year-old, MCSO booking #G171470

## **Death Investigation Leads to Arrest**

(April 15, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating death investigation related to the death of a man that landed a man in jail.

On April 10, 2025, around 5:15 p.m., Phoenix Fire responded to the area of 20<sup>th</sup> Avenue and State Avenue regarding an unresponsive adult male. The man, identified as 50-year-old William Miller, was transported to a nearby hospital where he did not survive and was pronounced deceased. Officers were contacted and responded to the scene, followed by detectives who assumed the death investigation. During the initial stages of this investigation, it was learned that Miller was disabled and required a caretaker. This caretaker was identified as 36-year-old Nuru Niyonkuru.

As the investigation progressed, it was learned that due to many factors, Niyonkuru did not care for Miller properly. This resulted in Niyonkuru's arrest. Niyonkuru was booked into jail on one count of vulnerable adult abuse. This case remains active and is pending the examination results from the Office of the Medical Examiner, that may result in additional charges. Additional details related to this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation.

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