

25. Heber Sánchez Domínguez

Who was Heber Sánchez Domínguez? Heber Sánchez Domínguez was a 34-year-old father of two from Mexico who originally entered the United States at the Arizona border, in December, 2023.

How did Heber Sánchez Domínguez end up in ICE custody? Heber Sánchez Domínguez was arrested in Richmond County, Georgia on January 7, 2026, for allegedly driving without a license. He was transferred to the Robert A. Deyton Detention Center in Clayton County, south of Atlanta, and was there awaiting his hearing. Medical staff conducted an intake evaluation and reported no signs of distress at the time of his arrival at Deyton Detention Center.

How did Heber Sánchez Domínguez die under ICE custody? ICE states that the detention center staff found him hanging by his neck and unresponsive in his sleeping quarters on January 14, 2026. They transferred him to the Piedmont Henry medical center, where he was pronounced dead.

What happened after Heber Sánchez Domínguez's death? Family members of Heber Sanchez Dominguez, who left behind a wife and children, sought to raise money for funeral expenses and also sought to clarify what had happened to Heber during his detention. A statement on the GoFundMe page read: "At this time, the family has not received clear information regarding the cause of his death." "Heber leaves behind his wife and two children, one of whom has Down syndrome and they are currently facing an extremely difficult and heartbreaking situation."

The Mexican Consulate also demanded a thorough investigation into the circumstances surrounding Heber Sanchez Domínguez's death.

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