

MID MICHIGAN MEDICAL EXAMINER GROUP

Medical Examiner's Office Monthly Report

Alpena County · August 2026



Metric	Jan '26	Feb '26	Mar '26	Apr '26	May '26	Jun '26	Jul '26	Aug '26	Sep '26	Oct '26	Nov '26	Dec '26	FY '26	% +/- prev.	FY '25	FY '24	FY '23	FY '22	FY '21	FY '20
INVESTIGATION ACTIVITY																				
# Cases Investigated by MMMEG	11	9	7	5	17	7	13	14					83	-41.1%	141	126	120	111	132	132
Scene Investigations	6	5	4	4	7	4	4	7					41	-52.3%	86	78	64	67	60	60
Cremation Permits	32	31	22	27	31	21	30	32					226	-39.2%	372	337	340	328	349	318
MANNER OF DEATH																				
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	-100.0%	1	0	0	1	2	2
Suicide	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	3					7	+16.7%	6	8	4	8	6	4
Accident	2	1	1	1	3	0	2	4					14	-30.0%	20	26	25	17	13	21
Natural	9	6	5	3	14	6	10	7					60	-47.4%	114	91	91	85	111	102
Pending	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Indeterminate	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0					2		0	1	0	0	0	3
CONFIRMED DRUG RELATED DEATH																				
Age <40yrs	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0	-100.0%	1	3	2	0		
Age 40yrs and older	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0					1	-66.7%	3	1	4	3		
SPECIAL CASES																				
Unclaimed Bodies	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	1					4	-20.0%	5	1	4	1	1	4
Unidentified Bodies	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0		0	0	0	0	0	0
Exhumations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0					0		0	0	0	0	0	0
ORDERED																				
Toxicology	0	4	1	2	5	0	1	5					18	-25.0%	24	17	28	16	13	8
Autopsy	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0					2	-71.4%	7	8	7	6	3	11
CT Scan	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0					1							

Case Briefs

Case #	County	Date	Disposition	Case Brief
04-0808-CE-2026	Alpena	08/08/2026	Release	88/m was reported to have been in the ED and was Dx with a brain bleed and place on comfort care. Dr Wagner determined COD complications of fall and MOD accident.
04-0814-AB-2026	Alpena	08/14/2026	Pending	70/M, ICU call to review
04-0819-HS-2026	Alpena	08/20/2026	Release	75/m was reported to have called EMS for respiratory distress and was transported to the ED for care. Dr Wagner determined COD complications of a PE. The manner is natural.
04-0804-LC-2026	Alpena	08/04/2026	Release	53/M with self-inflicted GSW. Hx mental health issues. Dr. Wagner determined the cause of death is self-inflicted gunshot wound. The manner is suicide.
04-0804-MG-2026	Alpena	08/05/2026	Release	95yo male sustained a fall and subsequently died.
04-0807-SS-2026	Alpena	08/08/2026	Release	67/F That was an unwitnessed cardiac arrest at home when EMS obtained ROSC so was transported to ER where family opted for a DNR.
04-0809-SG-2026	Alpena	08/09/2026	Release	89/M That was found deceased by a friend that came to check on him. The decedent had been complaining of indigestion and feeling warm the day before.
04-0809-KE-2026	Alpena	08/10/2026	Release	58/F That was found deceased by family. The decedent has a history of chronic alcoholism and idiopathic pancreatitis.
04-0811-KP-2026	Alpena	08/11/2026	Release	67/M found deceased by his brother. COD penetrating head trauma due to gsw, MOD suicide.
04-0812-SR-2026	Alpena	08/12/2026	Release	75/M That was a witnessed arrest by wife. The decedent has a long standing cardiovascular history, and is oxygen dependent. It is also reported that the decedent is a 1 ppd smoker.
04-0813-SJ-2026	Alpena	08/13/2026	Release	92/F Hospice of Michigan called for female that had fallen and suffered head injury and declined within a few days.
04-0813-RJ-2026	Alpena	08/13/2026	Release	63/M FH reached out and would like to have me file an Unclaimed SER with the State. All documentation is attached to this account on his efforts in locating NOK and speaking to the guardian. Death Certificate is also attached.
04-0819-WS-2026	Alpena	08/19/2026	Release	41/M found dead by his estranged wife after she called to come over and get her pet. Dr Wagner determined that the cause of death was ligature hanging. The manner is suicide.
04-0831-WH-2026	Alpena	08/31/2026	Release	83/M restrained driver of a smaller SUV that ran a red light at Werth Road and US 23 and was struck by a dump truck. The decedent was transported to the hospital where family opted for comfort care.