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Upon arrival, officers found Bever on the floor of the garage. No foul play is suspected, the sheriff’s department said.

Funeral arrangements are under direction of the Smith-Carson-Wall Funeral Home.