



**Ohio Attorney General's Office  
Bureau of Criminal Investigation  
Investigative Report**



2026-1239

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 31000 Block U.S. Route  
250, Uhrichsville, Ohio 44683, Harrison County

**Investigative Activity:** Next-of-Kin Notifications and Attempts

**Involves:** Michael Decker (S), Harrison County Sheriff's Office (O),  
Izabelle Tawney (O), Arlene Brost (O), Randy Brost (O),  
Jacob Brost (O)

**Activity Date:** 03/30/2026

**Activity Location:** Phone Calls

**Authoring Agent:** SAS Charles Moran #67

**Narrative:**

On Monday, March 30, 2026, at about 2312 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Supervisor (SAS) Chuck Moran (Moran) spoke with Harrison County Sheriff Mark Touville by phone. Sheriff Touville and SAS Moran discussed next-of-kin notifications for the family members of the decedent, Michael Decker. Sheriff Touville indicated that the Harrison County Coroner's Office does not usually make next-of-kin notifications. It was ultimately decided that BCI would make next-of-kin notifications since the Harrison County Sheriff's Office (HCSO) requested BCI to investigate the event in its entirety. Sheriff Touville provided SAS Moran with several phone numbers for Michael Decker's family members.

At 2322 hours, SAS Moran called Michael Decker's brother, Randy Brost, at [REDACTED]. There was no answer and SAS Moran left a voicemail. SAS Moran also sent a text message to the number.

At 2323 hours, SAS Moran called Michael Decker's son, Jacob Brost, at [REDACTED] or [REDACTED]. There was no answer and SAS Moran was unable to leave a voicemail.

At 2323 hours, SAS Moran called Michael Decker's daughter, Arlene Brost, at [REDACTED]. There was no answer and SAS Moran left a voicemail.

At 2327 hours, SAS Moran called Michael Decker's daughter, Izabelle Tawney (Izabelle), and spoke with her by phone. SAS Moran informed her that Michael Decker was deceased after a lengthy incident in Harrison County involving law enforcement. Izabelle said she saw some information about the event online.

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SAS Moran informed Izabelle that Michael Decker's body was currently with the Harrison County Coroner's Office and an autopsy would be conducted, likely in Cuyahoga County, in the near future.

SAS Moran asked Izabelle if there was any other family member that needed to be notified. Izabelle said she would text Michael Decker's niece (unidentified) and she already texted her mother and sister (Haley Brost) "on her side." Izabelle explained that Michael Decker had "two baby mommas." She explained that Arlene, Jacob, and Hannah were Michael Decker's children on the other side of the family.

SAS Moran informed Izabelle that BCI did not have many details to share about the event because the incident recently occurred and it was an active investigation. Izabelle asked if anyone was in charge of Michael Decker's funeral. SAS Moran told her that he did not have many details about that, but the autopsy needed to be completed first.

Izabelle said that Michael Decker was a "little cuckoo in the head." SAS Moran told Izabelle that BCI might want to speak with family members in the future about Michael Decker. Izabelle stated:

*All I know is that he called me, uh, a couple days ago and just pretty much was telling me how the world's like, getting like shittier and like it's gonna be ending soon and all kinds of like that. Like yeah. Kind of making my anxiety go. Yeah. So, I barely like, answered him, but kind of regret it now, but it's, it is what it is (05:06).*

The call with Izabelle ended and SAS Moran texted a copy of his digital business card to her.

The phone call with Izabelle was audio recorded. The audio recording was uploaded to Axon Justice and was placed in the Reference Item E - Recorded Interviews folder > Family Members of Michael Decker subfolder.

On Tuesday, March 31, 2026, at 0956 hours, SAS Moran called Michael Decker's daughter, Arlene Brost (Arlene), and spoke with her by phone. SAS Moran informed her that Michael Decker was deceased after a lengthy incident in Harrison County involving law enforcement on March 30, 2026.

Arlene said she was Michael Decker's first-born daughter on the Brost side of the family. SAS Moran informed Arlene that BCI did not have many details to share about the event because the incident recently occurred and it was an active investigation. SAS

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Moran provided some vague details about the incident that occurred in the woods and that Michael Decker was deceased after that event.

Arlene said she "kind of figured" but the news did not report that Michael Decker was shot and killed. SAS Moran explained that an autopsy would be conducted and there was a possibility that Michael Decker shot himself too.

Arlene asked SAS Moran if there was a way to determine if Michael Decker had a will so she could comply with Michael Decker's "wishes." SAS Moran informed Arlene that he did not know about that information, but the Harrison County Coroner's Office might be able to provide more information after the autopsy was conducted in Cuyahoga County.

SAS Moran asked Arlene if she spoke with Michael Decker over the past few days. Arlene said Michael Decker called and texted her on Friday (March 27, 2026). She said her brother Jacob Brost (Jacob), spoke with Michael Decker the night before the incident (Sunday, March 29, 2026). Arlene was also aware that Michael Decker spoke with his brother, Randy Brost (Randy), during the incident (Monday, March 30, 2026).

SAS Moran asked Arlene if she heard about Michael Decker being arrested for an OVI before the incident. Arlene said she knew Michael Decker was "in trouble for alcohol" in the past. She continued:

*I honestly think that the toxicology report's not gonna come back clean. Okay. I do know that he was struggling with cocaine. I'm gonna be completely honest, he, I know that we had to talk him out of it before of, you know, um, he had an incident with the police like a year ago and he was gonna barricade himself in the house and then he was gonna shoot himself and he was all hopped up on cocaine and we talked him out of it, but he shouldn't even have guns legally. He's not allowed to (08:25).*

Arlene indicated that she was confused about how Michael Decker had a gun when he was not supposed to possess one. She asked if Michael Decker was "pulled over" and "decided to run." SAS Moran informed Arlene that the initial incident began as a traffic stop.

SAS Moran informed Arlene that he spoke with Izabelle last night about the incident.

The call dropped and SAS Moran ended the first audio recording. SAS Moran began a second audio recording and called Arlene back.

Arlene said Izabelle, Haley, and their mother, Stephanie, have been in "witness protection for like the last 18 years." She said they had only been around Michael

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Decker for the last five years, but Michael wanted nothing to do with them and gave up his parental rights years ago.

SAS Moran told Arlene that BCI might want to speak with family members in the future about Michael Decker. Arlene said she and her sister would likely participate if needed.

The call with Arlene ended and SAS Moran texted a copy of his digital business card to her.

The phone calls with Arlene were audio recorded. The audio recordings were uploaded to Axon Justice and were placed in the Reference Item E - Recorded Interviews folder > Family Members of Michael Decker subfolder. Please refer to those recordings for further details.

**References:**

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**Attachments:**

None

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