



Bulloch County Coroner's Office Report for October 2025

1. Coroner Chuck Francis responded to 25 calls. Deputy Coroner Smith responded to 1 call.
 - a. Breakdown of manner of deaths
 - i. 2 homicides, 3 suicides, 2 accidental, 2 pending, 18 natural causes.
 - ii. 4 bodies were sent to GBI crime lab for autopsy.
2. New office established as of September 15, 2025. New administrative specialist hired to manage coroner's office operations and administrative responsibilities including records maintenance, public relations with funeral homes and families of decedents, open records requests, and other duties and responsibilities that will be created and enforced as this office grows.
3. Fulfilled a total of 6 open records requests.
4. Documented and stored 31 boxes of unclaimed cremated remains in coroner's custody.
5. Implementing practice of sending sympathy cards to next of kin of decedents from cases worked by this coroner's office.
6. Consistently converting 30+ years of paper records into digital format.
 - a. 1459 files completed in October.
 - b. Almost 2000 files have been completed since new assistant started in September.
 - c. Average between 50-100 files per day.
7. Ordered new equipment including portable radio, mobile radio, and new Chevy Tahoe.
8. Continuous training on reports and records management through Coroner's Office Death Investigation Management and Georgia Vital Events Registration System programs.
9. Researching laws regarding proper final disposition for unclaimed cremated remains currently in coroner's office custody.