

New charges likely following fight victim's death



Left to right: Matthew Cole Scherer, Brian Spillman, Jr. (Credit: LV Co Sheriff's Office) and Scott Vandeloo (Credit: Platte Co Sheriff's Office)

**(KAIR)--Amended charges are expected for the three Atchison men arrested in connection with an altercation that left a man dead.**

**The Kansas Bureau of Investigation Monday confirmed the death of 42-year-old Cummings resident Jason Pantle.**

**Pantle's family and friends began posting memorials to social media following his death Saturday. Also being shared is the hashtag #JusticeForJason.**

**Pantle had been hospitalized in critical condition, suffering from serious head injuries which are alleged to have occurred during an early morning September 22 attack at a party held at 159 Monument Road, in Doniphan County.**

**Pantle was pronounced dead at the University of Kansas Hospital, in Kansas City, Kansas, where he was transported after Atchison Police located him lying injured on the ground outside of a home located on Atchison's Jayhawk Drive. According to a release last week from the KBI, he was found around 4:20 on the morning of September 22 after he had been driven to that location by a family member sometime following the fight.**

**In custody in connection with the altercation are 44-year-old Scott Vandeloo, 22-year-old Brian Spillman, Jr., and 30-year-old Matthew Cole Scherer. All three were arrested September 25 on charges of aggravated battery. The KBI, in a release issued Monday, said charges in the case are expected to be amended due to Pantle's death. The Doniphan County Attorney is expected to prosecute the case.**

**Vandeloo, following his arrest, was booked into the Platte County, Missouri Jail,**

**but has since been transferred to Doniphan County. Spillman and Scherer are held in the Leavenworth County Jail.**

**Pantle, who played guitar for the Blake Camp Band, will be laid to rest Thursday afternoon following a 2:00 service at the Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home, in Atchison.**

**Among his survivors are his wife, Celeste, two sons, two daughters, and his mother, Shelly, and step-father Michael Noll.**



Jason Pantle (Credit: Becker-Dyer-Stanton Funeral Home)

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