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COLUMBIA, S.C. – S.C. Death Row inmate Donald Allen Jones, 60, died at a local hospital today.

The preliminary cause of death is stroke, and an autopsy will be performed, Richland County Coroner Naida Rutherford said. Jones has been hospitalized since Wednesday.

Jones is the second-longest serving resident of South Carolina's Death Row, having lived there since 1984. He was convicted of murder, criminal sexual conduct, armed robbery, larceny from an automobile and larceny-housebreaking in the 1983 Lancaster County shooting death of Ned Plyler. He was sentenced to death for his crimes.