



Police cars and an ambulance surround Riding South bar Monday morning after they received a call about a possible dead person being found. The body was that of Liberal's Bobby Beer, 49, who died Sunday from cardiac arrest, according to Seward County Coroner Hubert Peterson, who performed the autopsy Tuesday morning. L&T photo/Victoria Calderon

His body was found Monday, foul play ruled out by coroner's autopsy

By VICTORIA CALDERON • Leader & Times Liberal's Bobby Joe Beer was found dead Monday morning in the Riding South bar at 925 S. Kansas Ave.

At the time of the discovery of his body, the cause of death was uncertain. However, an autopsy was completed Tuesday by Seward County Coroner Dr. Hubert Peterson.

Beer, 49, died of natural causes involving his heart, according to Peterson,

"It (his heart) was essentially normal," Peterson said. "Except for, he had an enlarged heart, and then he'd had a heart attack a few days before.

"Finally, he ended up in cardiac arrest," he added.

Though Beer was found around 10:15 a.m. Monday, Peterson said he believed Beer died the day before.

"I would say he died Sunday afternoon, anywhere from mid- to late afternoon," he said.

Peterson's autopsy report confirmed the police department's belief that foul play was not involved in this case.

Coroner determines Bobby Beer died Sunday of cardiac arrest

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