

Mysterious Death: Body of Doctor Who Linked Vaccines to Autism Found Floating in River

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A prominent autism researcher and vaccine opponent was found dead floating in a North Carolina river last week under what many are calling suspicious circumstances.

A fisherman found the body of **Dr. James Jeffery Bradstreet** in the Rocky Broad River in Chimney Rock, North Carolina, last Friday afternoon.

"Bradstreet had a gunshot wound to the chest, which appeared to be self inflicted, according to deputies," reported [WHNS](#).

In a [press release](#), the Rutherford County Sheriff's Office announced, "Divers from the Henderson County Rescue Squad responded to the scene and recovered a handgun from the river."

An investigation into the death is ongoing, and the results of an autopsy are also reportedly forthcoming.

Dr. Bradstreet ran a private practice in Buford, Georgia, which focused on "treating children with Autism Spectrum Disorder, PPD, and related neurological and developmental disorders."

Among various remedies, Dr. Bradstreet's Wellness Center reportedly carried out "mercury toxicity" treatments, believing the heavy metal to be a leading factor in the development of childhood autism.

Dr. Bradstreet undertook the effort to pinpoint the cause of the disease after his own child developed the ailment following routine vaccination.

"Autism taught me more about medicine than medical school did," the doctor once stated at a conference, according to the Epoch Times' [Jake Crosby](#).

In addition to treating patients, Bradstreet has also offered expert testimony in federal court on behalf of vaccine-injured families and was founder and president of the International Child Development Resource Center, which at one time employed the much-scorned autism expert [Dr. Andrew Wakefield](#) as "research director."

The circumstances surrounding Bradstreet's death are made all the more curious by a recent multi-agency raid led by the FDA on his offices.

"The FDA has yet to reveal why agents searched the office of the doctor, reportedly a

former pastor who has been controversial for well over a decade,” reported the [Gwinnett Daily Post](#).

Social media pages dedicated to Bradstreet’s memory are filled with comments from families who say the deceased doctor impacted their lives for the better.

“Dr. Bradstreet was my son’s doctor after my son was diagnosed with autism. He worked miracles,” one [Facebook user](#) states. “At 16, my son is now looking at a normal life thanks to him. I thank him every day.”

“I will forever be grateful and thankful for Dr. Bradstreet recovering my son... from autism,” another person writes. “Treatments have changed my son’s life so that he can grow up and live a normal healthy life. Dr. Bradstreet will be missed greatly!”

A [GoFundMe page](#) has also been set up by one of Bradstreet’s family members seeking “To find the answers to the many questions leading up to the death of Dr Bradstreet, including an exhaustive investigation into the possibility of foul play.”

Despite his family requesting the public refrain from speculation, many are nevertheless concluding the doctor’s death to be part of a conspiracy.

“Self-inflicted? In the chest? I’m not buying this,” one person in the [WHNS](#) comments thread states. “This was a doctor who had access to pharmaceuticals of all kinds. This was a religious man with a thriving medical practice. Sorry, but this stinks of murder and cover-up.”

Another commentor had a more definitive conjecture:

“He did NOT kill himself! He was murdered for who he was speaking against, what he knew, and what he was doing about it. He was brilliant kind compassionate doctor with amazing abilities to heal. He was taken. Stopped. Silenced. Why would a doctor who had access to pharmaceuticals and could die peacefully shoot himself in the chest???? And throw himself in a river?? THIS IS OBVIOUS! MURDER!!”

Funeral arrangements for Dr. Bradstreet are still [pending](#) at the Cecil M. Burton funeral home in Shelby, Georgia.

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