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Report: FBI to investigate Irsay's death

Colts say they have not been contacted by agency

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The FBI is investigating the death of late Colts owner Jim Irsay, the Washington Post reported Thursday, citing their reporters' review of a federal grand jury subpoena that centers on records relating to his death, substance use and his

relationship with Dr. Harry Haroutunian, a California doctor.
Irsay died in May 2025, and his death certificate, signed by Haroutunian, listed the franchise owner's cause of death as cardiac arrest caused by acute pneumonia, with two heart conditions as contributing factors. Irsay was in Beverly Hills receiving treatment from Haroutunian at the time of his death.



Irsay

The FBI reportedly visited Indianapolis in January and interviewed people close to Irsay in the final years of his life, according to the Post.
The Colts released a statement to IndyStar that indicated the team has not been a part of the interview process.
"We are aware of the investigation but at this time, we've not been contacted by the FBI or served any subpoenas,"

the statement read.
According to the Post's reporting, Haroutunian provided Irsay with large opioid prescriptions in the last two years of his life and began prescribing ketamine later in 2024.
Ketamine is approved by the FDA for use in hospitals as a general anesthetic, but it can also be legally prescribed off-label for depression and other mental health issues. Ketamine can induce a
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Ransburg YMCA members angry, sad

React to closure of east side community center

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A day after IndyStar broke the news that a beloved east-side YMCA — a fixture for generations — was at risk of closing if it doesn't secure more money, Harper J. Ransburg Branch YMCA members are angry and saddened.
Many were trying to figure out how they could help, and others shared how the community center transforms lives.
"We're a family. Thousands of kids come in and out of the doors," Eileen Goodin told IndyStar. "You can't find a parking space on any given Saturday. The homeless come in, shower, and get a place to rest. The east side needs this. I work out just about every day. I raised my girls on the east side."
Dominique Inskeep, 34, has been going to the Ransburg YMCA for years with her 9-year-old daughter and 10-year-old son.

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Paolo Garbanzo entertains with a comedy juggling act at Gen Con Indy on July 31, 2025, at the Indiana Convention Center.
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The biggest events coming to Indianapolis in 2026

City to showcase its pride as convention destination

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With several attendance records broken and new hotel rooms added to the city, Indianapolis continues to pride itself on being one of the top destinations for conventions. At this point, Indy runs like a well-oiled machine for large events, drawing in basketball

fans, racing crowds, marching bands and yes, even some wizards.
And 2026 will be no different.
Whether you want to make sure you're not missing out on any once-in-a-lifetime events down the street or maybe you just want to know what days traffic downtown will be gridlocked with visitors, here are the largest events
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The 2024 NFL Scouting Combine logo in the end zone at Lucas Oil Stadium.
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