



SAYULITA, Mexico — Two people are facing murder charges in Mexico in the killing of a 2-year-old Colorado boy on vacation, according to a statement from the boy's family.

FoxNews.com attained a copy of the statement (<http://www.foxnews.com/world/2013/03/06/colorado-toddler-reportedly-killed-on-family-vacation-in-mexico/?test=latestnews>) made by Randy and Jen Charrette to a local newspaper, the Vallarta Opina ([http://www.watchnewspapers.com/view/full\\_story/21883025/article-2-Year-Old-Axel-Charrette-Killed-in-Mexico?instance=latest\\_story](http://www.watchnewspapers.com/view/full_story/21883025/article-2-Year-Old-Axel-Charrette-Killed-in-Mexico?instance=latest_story)). In the statement, the Ridgway couple says their son, Axel Charrete, was allegedly killed by their babysitter's boyfriend in a "drug-induced" attack.

"On Feb. 28, the daughter, our babysitter, let her boyfriend into the walled property," the statement says. "She soon realized he was in a violent, drug-induced state. Out of fear, she locked herself in a bathroom, leaving Axel outside."

According to the statement, the family was vacationing at a property in the city of Sayulita, which is near Puerto Vallarta. They said their Canadian landlord hired a woman and her daughter to help around the house, and that the daughter was babysitting Axel and his 7-year-old brother, Kalden Charrette, at the time.

For unknown reasons, the man did not harm Kalden, who was inside the house playing games. Instead, he turned his attention to Axel, who was outside near the pool. The man proceeded to injure the toddler, then threw him into the pool and left him to drown.

The family says the babysitter and her boyfriend have been arrested and face federal murder charges in Mexico City. The U.S. State Department is involved with the investigation as well, according to Fox News.

A memorial service is reportedly being held for Axel in Ridgway on March 12.