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Caddo Parish House Fire Claims One Life

Baton Rouge LA, State Fire Marshal H. “Butch” Browning released information today about an investigation into a residential house fire that occurred on November 29, 2010 at 12:17hrs. The fire claimed the life of one unidentified elderly man.

The Caddo Parish Fire District #2 was notified of a fire across from the fire station, at a home located at 4318 Tacoma St., Shreveport LA. A passerby alerted firefighters who found the bedroom to be fully involved in fire. The fire was quickly extinguished and the body of a man was found in the bed deceased. Caddo Fire District #1 also responded and assisted.

The State Fire Marshal and the Caddo Parish Sheriff have partnered to investigate the cause of this tragic fire and to determine answers to this incident. Investigators utilized a specially trained canine to search for ignitable liquids and none were found. The Caddo Parish Coroner will perform an autopsy and also make positive identification of the body in the morning. Currently, the cause is still under investigation, there are no suspicious circumstances at this time.

There were no working smoke detectors in the home, however an un-installed detector was found in the home and was part of a community smoke detector distribution campaign. State Fire Marshal Browning reminds all citizens that, “You must have properly installed smoke alarms in your home to survive a fire”.

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