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## Greensburg Fire Claims Life of 3-Year-Old

**Greensburg, LA** – State Fire Marshal investigators continue to examine the circumstances surrounding a fire that claimed the life of a 3-year-old child this past Friday.

Investigators were called to the scene after firefighters responded to a report of a residential structure fire that occurred at approximately 2:00 p.m. at 2825 Otis and Willie Matthews Road in Greensburg. Upon their arrival, firefighters found the manufactured home completely engulfed in flames.

After the fire was extinguished, firefighters discovered the body of Elijah Robertson in a bedroom of the structure, which was destroyed by the fire.

Robertson's body was later released to the St. Helena Parish coroner for autopsy after being examined by investigators.

While no official cause of the fire has been determined, investigators have established that the fire originated in the opposite end of the structure from where the body was located.

The investigation into this deadly fire continues.

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**Greensburg Fatal Fire – December 2, 2016**



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