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COWETA COUNTY FATAL FIRE RULED UNDETERMINED

ATLANTA – Around 8:30 P.M. on the night of February 22, the Coweta County Fire Department responded to a residential fire off of Shell Road in Palmetto, Georgia. When emergency personnel arrived on scene, they discovered the body of Jerry McMichael, 77, in the yard outside the home.

“The single-family residence was completely destroyed by the blaze,” said Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. “Due to the severity of the damages to the structure, a cause and origin of the fire cannot be determined. No foul play is suspected at this time.”

Commissioner King’s Fire Investigations Unit assisted the Coweta County Fire Department, Coweta County Sheriff’s Office, and the Coweta County Coroner’s Office with this investigation.

McMichael is the eighteenth victim to perish in a Georgia fire in 2020.



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