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LINCOLN COUNTY FATAL FIRE RULED UNDETERMINED

ATLANTA – Around 9:00 P.M on the night of February 12, the Martin’s Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department responded to a residential fire located off of Sims Road in Lincolnton, Georgia. Upon extinguishment, emergency personnel discovered the body of Aubrey Jediah Smith, 20, inside the structure.

“The double-wide mobile home built in the sixties was completely destroyed by the blaze. The body of the deceased was turned over to the GBI Crime Lab, where an autopsy is set to be performed,” said Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King. “At this time, we are unable to rule out any electrical malfunctions as having caused the fire.”

Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King’s Fire Investigations Unit assisted the Martin’s Crossroads Volunteer Fire Department and the Midway Volunteer Fire Department with this investigation.

Smith is the thirteenth victim to perish in a Georgia fire in 2020.



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