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## MONROE COUNTY MAN KILLED IN FIRE

**ATLANTA** – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King announced today that a 44-year-old man passed away in a fire off of Faith Court in Juliette around 10:30 p.m. on Monday, January 5. The victim was found by Monroe County investigators during an investigation on the morning of January 6.

"The fire occurred in a one-story residential structure that was built in 1974, has a full basement, and is 2,041 square feet," said Commissioner King. "Our investigators believe the fire began in a bedroom on the front, right side of the residence. The victim's body is now at the GBI Crime Lab so we can confirm the man's identity."

The cause of the fire and the fatality is under investigation at this time by Commissioner King's State Fire Investigations Unit, the Monroe County Fire Department, the Monroe County Sheriff's Office, and a GBI Medical Examiner.

Investigators will notify the public and the media if and when more information becomes available. All authorities involved request that Georgians keep the deceased and his loved ones in their thoughts and prayers.



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