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## Man Dies in Dubberly Mobile Home Fire

**WEBSTER PARISH-** State Fire Marshal (SFM) deputies continue their investigation into a mobile home fire that claimed the life of a male occupant.

Shortly after 6:30 a.m. on April 3, the Heflin Fire Department responded to a call for a mobile home fire located in the 400 block of Central School Loop in Dubberly. Firefighters found the fire in such an advanced state that it had almost burned itself out after consuming the entire structure.

Unfortunately, the remains of a male occupant were located inside. While official identification and cause of death are pending an autopsy, the victim is believed to be the 63-year-old owner of the mobile home.

Despite a detailed assessment of the scene, deputies have been unable to determine where or how the fire originated due to the extensive damage. However, their investigation continues.

Deputies learned the victim used the mobile home as a camp site and had been last heard from the evening before. When relatives couldn't reach him by phone Saturday morning, they went to the location and discovered the mobile home burned.

At this time, deputies are unable to confirm whether working smoke alarms were in place in the mobile home. However, the SFM would like to take this opportunity to remind all Louisiana families about our Operation Save-A-Life program. Operation Save-A-Life partners with local fire departments and districts to provide FREE smoke alarm installations, at any time of the year, for families in need of assistance accessing the critical emergency-alert equipment.

To register for a free smoke alarm, or learn more about Operation Save-A-Life, visit lasfm.org.

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