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Mt. Hermon Fire Claims Life of Woman, 73

Mt. Hermon, LA – State Fire Marshal investigators continue to comb through the charred debris of a manufactured home where a fire claimed the life of a Mt. Hermon woman early Monday morning.

Investigators responded to the scene at 23635 Isaac Watson Road, after firefighters were dispatched to the location at approximately 3:00 a.m. Monday, where they found a single-wide mobile home engulfed in flames.

After entering the residence, firefighters located the body of a woman, believed to be that of 73-year-old Jeannette Jackson, on the floor of the master bathroom. After being examined by investigators, the body, which suffered severe thermal injuries, was released to the Washington Parish Coroner's Office for autopsy.

Investigators determined that the fire originated in the living room of the structure, where Jackson had a wood-burning stove that was in use prior to the fire. Investigators also discovered remnants of an electric space heater in the same vicinity which appeared to have been in use at the time of the fire.

The fire inflicted heavy damage to the entire residence causing structural collapse in the central area of the home.

The investigation into the cause of this deadly fire continues.

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