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## **Calhoun Home Destroyed by Fire; Two Dead**

**Calhoun, LA –** The Louisiana State Fire Marshal is presently on scene investigating a fire that destroyed a home Wednesday in the rural community of Calhoun in Ouachita Parish where the bodies of two adult occupants were found in the charred debris.

Firefighters were dispatched to 297 Bill Banks Road shortly after 5:00 a.m. this morning where they found a manufactured home in flames. The fire completely destroyed the structure, which shared a property with an adjacent house belonging to the father of one of the occupants, who stated that he contacted authorities after hearing a loud noise and observing the home on fire.

State Fire Marshal investigators later recovered the bodies of one male and one female, believed to be that of the residents, the identities of which are being withheld pending formal identification. The bodies, which were severely burned, were subsequently released to the coroner's office after processing.

Autopsies will be performed to determine the cause and manner of death and to confirm the identities of the victims.

The investigation is active, as investigators remain at the location, combing through the debris of the heavily damaged structure.

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