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## Oakdale Man Dies from Injuries Sustained in House Fire

**Oakdale, LA** – A 25-year-old Oakdale man died Thursday as a result of injuries he suffered in a residential structure fire on March 4th.

Joey Hampton, Jr. died as a result of burn injuries he received when his home, located at 409 South Street in Oakdale, caught fire early Saturday. The cause of the fire remains under investigation by the State Fire Marshal's Office.

In addition to suffering from smoke inhalation, the victim sustained third-degree burns to 70% of his body and was being treated at Our Lady of Lourdes Regional Medical Center in Lafayette when he died.

Four other family members were injured in the fire, one of which remains hospitalized.

While no official cause of the fire has been determined, investigators have established that the fire originated in the living room of the wood-framed home, which suffered significant damage in the fire.

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