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House Fire Claims Lives of Three DeRidder Family Members

BEAUREGARD PARISH (November 9, 2026) – The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (SFM) is investigating a residential fire that claimed the lives of three family members in DeRidder.

Firefighters with the DeRidder Fire Department were dispatched to a house fire in the 400 block of Memosa Street around 1:41 a.m. Saturday, November 7, 2026. A husband, 76, his wife, 74, and their son, 39, died in the fire.

The DeRidder Fire Department requested assistance from SFM investigators. Preliminary findings indicate the fire originated in the home's west living room. The exact cause remains under investigation.

"This is a tragic situation," said State Fire Marshal, Chief Chad P. Sonnier. "Our hearts and prayers are with the loved ones of those who lost their lives."

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