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State Fire Marshal Investigators Work Multiple Fatal Fires

BATON ROUGE, LA (November 2, 2026) – The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal (SFM) is investigating two separate deadly fires that occurred across the state over a ten-hour period, from October 30-31, 2026. Tragically, each fire resulted in a fatality.

Incident Summaries:

JEFFERSON DAVIS PARISH - On Friday, October 30, 2026, around 6 p.m., Jeff Davis Fire District 3 responded to a camper fire in the 19000 block of Highway 90 E in Iowa. A 56-year-old woman lost her life in the blaze. Investigators continue to work to determine the cause of the fire.

ST. MARY PARISH – Around 4 a.m. on Saturday, October 31, 2026, the Morgan City Fire Department dispatched to a fire in the 1000 block of 6th Street in Morgan City. Paramedics transported a 35-year-old man to the hospital where he died. The origin and cause remain under investigation.

“Our thoughts and deepest condolences are with the families, friends and loved ones affected by the heartbreaking fire incidents over the weekend,” said Chief Chad P. Sonnier, Louisiana State Fire Marshal. “Every life lost to fire is a profound tragedy and a sobering reminder of how quickly lives can change.”

These fires remain under investigation. No further details are available at this time.

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