



News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office

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Search Suspended for Missing Fisherman

Rescuers have suspended their search for a man thought to have fallen into the Loosahatchie River near Millington.

The river's swift currents made it too dangerous today for Sheriff's Emergency Services volunteers and Shelby County firefighters to use boats to search the area near Raleigh-Millington and Fite Road.

Rescuers and the Sheriff's specially trained cadaver dogs walked 500 yards along the riverbank but found no trace of the man's body.

Deputies also checked nearby neighborhoods but residents said no one was missing. Additionally, Sheriffs' investigators have not received any reports about a missing fisherman.

Just before 5 P.M. yesterday evening, a motorist reported seeing a man in the river clinging to a tree branch. He was wearing a white tee shirt and red cap. By the time the motorist got to the man, he had disappeared.

The search will resume later this week when the current slows and the water level drops. Anyone who knows anything about the missing fisherman is asked to call the Shelby County Sheriff's Office at **(901) 379-7625**.

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