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Body of Russell Springs Man Recovered From Lake Cumberland; Had Been Missing For Two Weeks

Monday, July 16, 2007 -- The body of a Russell Springs man, missing since a boat wreck two weeks ago on Lake Cumberland, was recovered late Sunday afternoon. The body of 36 year old Mark Sayers was retrieved by divers after a "side scan sonar unit" detected what was believed to be Sayers' body in approximately 60' of water in Wolf Creek, according to Russell County Emergency Management Director H. M. Bottom. Sayers had been missing, and was presumed to have drowned, after his boat collided with another about 10:15 p.m. on Saturday, June 30th. Members of the Russell County Rescue Squad, with assistance from several other rescue squads, had conducted search and dragging operations for Sayers' body daily since the accident. According to EM Director Bottom, it was Boone County's Search & Rescue Team's "side scan sonar unit" that ultimately located Sayers' body for divers to recover. Russell County Coroner Larry Skaggs has taken the body for an autopsy which will be performed today at the state medical examiner's office in Frankfort.



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