

Camp Worker Is Drowned

A fish camp worker drowned Wednesday about 9 p.m. when he apparently accidentally fell from his small fishing boat in Thompson's Bayou.

He was LeRoy Handrop, 48, of Booker's Fish Camp, located just off Nine Mile Road.

An unidentified fisherman saw Handrop fall from the boat shortly before 9 p.m., rescued him but could not get him to go back to the camp.

He reported the incident to the camp operator, who went to check on him a short time later and discovered the boat empty. The operator then notified authorities.

His body was discovered by skindivers of the Escambia County Search and Rescue Unit about 15 minutes after the search began, according to Escambia County Sheriff's Department.

Officials said the body was found near the boat in about 15 feet of water.

He was pronounced dead on arrival at the Escambia General Hospital about 12:30 a.m. today.

Funeral services will be conducted Friday at 2 p.m. in the

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Fisher-Pou Funeral Service Chapel by the Rev. William Dodson of the Brownsville Baptist Church.

Burial will follow in the Bue-lah Cemetery under the direction of Fisher-Pou.

Pallbearers will be Melton Handrop, Ronald Handrop, Lloyd Handrop, Columbus Penton, Ernest Blaisdell and Jim Olsen.

Survivors include a 10-year-old daughter, Mary, and several other relatives.

He was a lifelong resident of Pensacola and a veteran of World War II.

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An unidentified fisherman spotted the empty boat some hours later and notified authorities.

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The body was removed to Fisher-Pou Funeral Service. Funeral arrangements are incomplete.

Speeding