Sheriff’s Office Investigates Death At Structure Fire In Northeast Travis County

On September 24, 2007, at about 2 pm, emergency personnel were called to 906 Holly Bluff, in Northeast Travis County, in reference to a structure fire and deceased person. Travis County Fire Control, Austin/Travis County EMS, Travis County Fire Marshal’s Office and Sheriff’s Office responded to the scene.

Firemen were able to quickly extinguish the fire. When they discovered the body they noticed quickly that the man was obviously deceased. Once the house was made safe the man was pronounce deceased by EMS at about 2:30 pm.

The man was taken to the Medical Examiners Office for their investigation. They were able to identify the man as,

Robert Alan Coker, Date of Birth 1-17-1962, of Austin. The cause of death has not been released pending the return of lab tests and the final report.

Sheriff’s Detectives were aided by the Travis County Fire Marshal’s Office in the investigation of how the fire started. They believe that the fire was intentionally set by Mr. Coker just before his death.

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