03-26-2009 – Erie Co - Ronald Burfield - LEO PSD Training

Ronald Burfield

American, aged 46, Erie County, Pennsylvania police training dive, found on lake bed, did not respond to treatment.

http://www.thediversassociation.com/index.php/sheets

Allegheny National Forest
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Scuba diving accident kills Pennsylvania man

April 2009

A man died in hospital after an accident at Lake Pleasant on Sunday afternoon. Authorities told CDNN that Ronald Burfield, 46, was fatally injured while scuba diving in the Erie County lake.

Witnesses said Sheriff’s Scuba Team divers were training at the lake when the accident happened and found the victim at a depth of about four meters. They pulled him to shore and started CPR until paramedics arrived.

Burfield was taken to Hamot Medical Center but died on Monday at 3:20 am. Erie County Coroner Lyell Cook said an autopsy was performed to determine the cause of death but lab results could take a couple of weeks to complete.

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Cook: No foul play in diver's death
http://www.goerie.com/article/20090331/NEWS02/303309901
March 31, 2009

Foul play has been ruled out in the death of an Erie scuba diver who was found unconscious at the bottom of Lake Pleasant on Sunday.

It's still not known whether Ronald Burfield, 46, died from a diving accident or natural causes, Erie County Coroner Lyell Cook said.

"We can rule out foul play, which is not a surprise," Cook said. "The autopsy is finished, but we are waiting for the (lab results). It could be a couple of weeks."
Burfield was admitted to Hamot Medical Center at 1 p.m. Sunday, and died there at 3:20 a.m. Monday, Erie County Deputy Coroner Korac Timon said.

Dusckas Obituaries

Ronald "Ron" K. Burfield

Ronald "Ron" K. Burfield, age 46, of Erie, passed on to his next life, Monday, March 30, 2009 at Hamot Hospital following a scuba diving incident.

He was born on September 27, 1962 in Buffalo, NY to the late Leo V. and Dolores E. Braccini Burfield.

Ron was an Air Force Veteran and worked in the Maintenance Department at Penn State Behrend for the last 24 years. He was an avid lifetime Pittsburgh Steelers fan; enjoyed the outdoors, fishing, camping, biking and hiking.

Most importantly was his passion for scuba diving. He was the current Vice President of the Erie Skin Divers who became his extended family with whom he shared many camping trips and hundreds of diving excursions.

Ron is survived by his best friend and loving wife, Linda M. Bullock Burfield. The pride of his life were his children, Leah M. Kosin and his son, Kevin V. Burfield.

Leah and her husband, Michael, of Leesburg, VA gave him two precious grandchildren, AnneMarie and Tyler Kosin. Kevin, of Erie, who is currently attending Penn State Behrend, is destined for great success due his gifted talent and intelligence.

Ron is also survived by two stepsons, William and Jason Bridges, both of Erie; a sister, Linda A. Burfield of Fairview, with whom he shared a very special bond; a father-in-law, George Bullock of Erie; many nieces and nephews including Ian Ahenger of Erie. Ron will leave a void in the lives of the many people who knew and loved him.

Friends may call at the Dusckas Funeral Home, Inc., East, 2607 Buffalo Road on Thursday from 7 to 9 p.m. and Friday from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 p.m. Interment, with a Graveside Service will be at Wintergreen Gorge Cemetery at 11 a.m. on Saturday.

Memorial donations may be made to his family who will use them as they know he would have wished.
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Ronald Kevin Burfield

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| **Birth:** | Sep. 27, 1962  
Buffalo  
Erie County  
New York, USA |
| **Death:** | Mar. 30, 2009  
Erie  
Erie County  
Pennsylvania, USA |

Son of the late Leo V. and Dolores E. (Braccini) Burfield.

Veteran of the U.S Air Force.

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