

05-05-1962 North Dakota - Ralph J. Hansen – LEO Successful River Rescue

Sheriff Ralph J. Hansen

<http://www.odmp.org/officer/6040-sheriff-ralph-j.-hansen?printview=1>



Biographical Info

Age: 45

Tour of Duty: 4 years

Badge Number: Not available

Cause: Drowned

Sheriff Ralph J. Hansen

Ransom County Sheriff's Department North Dakota

End of Watch: Saturday, May 5, 1962

Sheriff Hansen drowned after saving a boy who had fallen into the Sheyenne River on the first day of fishing season. The sheriff dove in after the boy and was able to push him to safety but was pulled under by the river's strong currents. His body was recovered two hours later.

Sheriff Hansen had served as sheriff for 4 years. He was survived by his father, two brothers, and three sisters