

Q-C Man Drowns; Hunt 2 Missing

A Silvis man drowned Sunday in an abandoned quarry near Hampton, and searches for two other persons missing and believed drowned in the Mississippi River were called off at dark.

William T. Harris Jr., 35, rural Davenport, one of the men still missing, is the son of William T. Harris Sr., 61, who drowned Saturday in a boating accident which authorities believe also took the life of the younger Harris.

Damon Jay Ivey, 19, son of Mrs. Kitty Ivey of 1413 17th Ave., Silvis, was swimming with a friend in the 10-acre quarry

lake located between 1st and 2nd avenues on the north edge of Hampton when he drowned, authorities said.

The friend, Steve Svec, 18, of 302 9th St., Silvis, told Rock Island County Coroner James Shaw that they were some 40 feet away from the shoreline when Ivey slipped beneath the surface.

SVEC REPORTED that they had been swimming from one shore to the next, a distance of some 200 feet, Shaw said.

Shaw said the body was found in seven feet of water about one hour after the 2 p.m. incident by James Wiseman and Kerry Samsile, both of Hampton, who were assisting Richard Mann, town marshal.

Mann said Svec used a telephone in a nearby home to summon help.

Ivey was a June graduate of United Township High School, East Moline.



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