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Members of the York County Rescue Squad stand by body of William Jack Rudy, 19-year-old Middletown youth who drowned Tuesday afternoon in Dauphin County quarry near the

Conewago Creek. The youth's body was found at 9:35 a.m. today. Police believe Rudy drowned while swimming across the quarry with a group of teenagers.

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NEAR CONEWAGO CREEK

Youth Drowns, Tried to Swim Across Quarry

A 19-year-old Middletown youth drowned Tuesday afternoon while attempting to swim across a quarry near the Conewago Creek in Dauphin County.

The body of the victim, William Jack Rudy, 19, Middletown, was discovered at 9:35 this morning, Harrisburg State Police investigators report.

FOUR TEENS

Police said Rudy and three other Middletown teenagers went to the quarry Tuesday afternoon for a swim. All four teens, including two girls, began to swim across the 150-foot quarry about 2 p.m. po-

According to investigators, Rudy and the other boy were about halfway across when

Rudy shouted that he had a cramp. The other boy and the two girls attempted to help him to the other side, but the victim fell from their grasp and under the water before the rescuers reached the opposite side of the quarry.

RESCUE TEAMS

The drowning was reported about 2:15 p.m. Tuesday. Rescue teams dragged the quarry until the body was reported found this morning. Police said the body would be taken to Harrisburg Hospital for an autopsy.

The quarry, known as the "Purple Lite," is located in Londonderry Twp. on the Dauphin County side of the Conewago Creek. The creek borders Lancaster and Dauphin counties.