

## Ripon man drowns in quarry

REDGRANITE — A 23-year-old Ripon man died of asphyxiation by drowning at 5:48 p. m. Sunday, while diving at the Redgranite quarry.

The Waushara County Sheriff's Department said David Lee Birks, 23, Route 2, Skunk Hollow Road, Ripon, was diving alone and without a life vest on. The report said he had on a tank and snorkel with about 20 to 30 pounds of weight.

Authorities said someone diving in the quarry noticed bubbles coming up from the quarry and no movement. Another diver, Joseph Katuziowski of Illinois, found Birks in about 75 feet of water.

The Redgranite Rescue Squad was called to the scene and gave assistance until the Emergency Medical Service Ambulance arrived. The report said EMS technicians also attempted to revive Birk.

Birk was taken to the Berlin Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced dead on arrival at 6:40 p.m. by Green Lake County Deputy-Coroner Marvin Bosveld.

Funeral arrangements are pending at Butzin-Marchant Funeral Home, Ripon.

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