

## Chester man drowns at swim club

**CHESTER** — A Chester man drowned Wednesday afternoon while swimming with friends at the Beaver Dam Swim Club, located at an abandoned quarry near Cockeysville.

The death of Frederick Elijah Kearse, 21, was ruled an accident, said a spokesman for the Baltimore County Police Department. She said Kearse was trying to swim from one shore of the old quarry to the opposite shore shortly before 2 p.m. when witnesses saw him struggle and go under water.

Lifeguards tried to reach Kearse but couldn't. His body was recovered in about 60 feet of water by police dive team members at about 7:40 p.m.

Warehime said Kearse was swimming from one side of the quarry to the opposite shore and had stopped to rest on a platform — one of several located in the water. Witnesses told police that Kearse went back in the water, then was seen waving his arms, calling for help.

Kearse recently turned 21. He was a resident of the 1200 block of Little Creek Road in Dominion.

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