

11 Persons Drown In Ohio Over Weekend; Number Of Traffic Fatalities Held To 7

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The sweltering weather sent Ohioans scurrying to lakes, pools streams and swimming holes where 11 persons died during the weekend.

Despite heavy traffic on the highways, motorists chalked up a relatively safe weekend with only 7 traffic deaths reported.

The overall weekend death toll was 25, somewhat above the average.

Sunday proved to be the worst day with six of the drownings and five of the traffic fatalities among the 15 deaths logged during the day.

The victims:

Friday Night

Fairport: Laura Koreen, 2, Lake County, killed in a head-on auto collision in Fairport.

Dayton: Charles Glueckert, 51, Dayton, killed when hit by a pick-up truck.

Perrysburg: Ivan Glen Nash Jr., 4, Perrysburg, drowned in a ditch near his home.

Saturday

Cincinnati: James Maringer, 16, drowned while swimming in a pond in nearby Anderson Twp.

Akron: Jack Gibson, 41, and Jack Aitken, 35, of near Akron,

asphyxiated in a leech well.

Thompson: Stanley Thompson, 15, Geauga County, drowned while swimming in a large pond.

Mansfield: John T. Glass, 24, Flint, Mich., killed in a motorcycle race at Mansfield Raceway.

Lima: Joseph Taviano, 19, Lima, drowned in a quarry three miles west of Lima.

Troy: Donald Lewis, 15, Troy, drowned in a gravel pit in Troy.

Sunday

Portage: Mrs. Betty M. Thompson, 31, Columbus, fatally injured when her car crashed on U.S. 25 in Portage.

Youngstown: Marvin Merkyn, 30, killed when a speeding car rolled over on Kirk Road in Mahoning County, throwing both occupants out.

Cleveland: Florence Van Osterand, Cleveland, found dead after a fire swept her home, causing \$7,000 damage.

Cleveland: Clifton McBride, 24, and Barbara Ann Yuravak, 19, both of Cleveland, killed in an auto-two truck collision on Ohio 21 in Valley View.

Columbus: George Kiefer Jr., 22, Columbus, drowned in a pond on the south side of Columbus.

Akron: Michael Baldwin, 15, Springfield Twp., Summit County,

drowned when swimming in an abandoned gravel pit with a friend near his home.

Bedford: Gilsole Romito, 47, Vince Boknovich, 42, and Ben Wolanski, 50, all of Bedford, overcome by sewer gas while working down a sewer and asphyxiated.

Geneva - On - The - Lake: Mrs. George J. Shultz, 20, North Madison, drowned while scuba diving at Geneva-On-The-Lake with a neighbor lady.

Dayton: Daniel Kinder, 11, Dayton, drowned in the Mad River when caught in swift current while wading with family.

Uhrichsville: Kenneth Vickers, 38, of nearby Rush Township, drowned while swimming in the Tuscarawas River.

Lorain: Terrie Lynn Calkins, 1 month, fatally injured in a two-car collision near a drive-in theater.

Toledo: Wayne Stanley, 16, Toledo, drowned in Maumee River near Waterville when he stepped into hole in river bottom while spearfishing.

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