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5-Year-Old Boy Drowns In Quarry

LEXINGTON — A 5-year-old boy drowned about 6:15 p.m. yesterday while swimming with his father at a water-filled rock quarry on N.C. 8 about six miles south of here.

Royice Cleveland Garrell, son of Shelton Cleveland and Janice Small Garrell of 205 Kersey Drive, Archdale, was pronounced dead at the scene by Davidson County Medical Examiner Robert T. Chambers.

About 25 or 30 other people were reported swimming at the abandoned quarry when the drowning occurred. Water in some parts of the quarry is over 70 feet deep.

The youth's body was pulled out of water about six feet deep by unidentified bystanders after he had been in the water for about ½ hour.

Surviving in addition to his parents are a sister, Angelia Marie Garrell of the home; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Garrell of Lexington and Mr. and Mrs. Chester Small of High Point, his great-grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Davis of Mount Holly, Mrs. Tina Wilson of Lexington, Mr. and Mrs. Duke Johnson of Tabor City.

The body is at Piedmont Funeral Home pending arrangements.

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