CMSC Coed Drowns In Rock Quarry

A coed of Central Missouri State College, Warrensburg, was drowned Friday night after slipping from a ledge and falling into an abandoned rock quarry filled with water, two miles north of Warrensburg. She was Judith Kay Coonrod, 21, Portage, Ind.

According to the Johnson County Sheriff Harlan Temple, the young woman was on an outing with friends at the rock quarry and fell from the eightfoot ledge after moving from a campfire near the ledge.

The Pettis County Rescue Squad, under direction of Deputy Sheriff Jack Couts, received a call to aid in the search for the body at 9:30 p. m. Friday and sent seven members to the site. Three divers entered the lake, Ed Brummet, John Caver and Len Eberting. The body was discovered by Brummet about 12:15 a. m. Saturday. The water into which Miss Coonrod fell was from ten to twelve feet deep, according to Sheriff Temple.

Miss Coonrod was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Coonrod, Portage, Ind., who survive. A sister, Pamela Sue, also survives. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church of East Gary, Ind., and a member of the Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority at CMSC.

The body was taken to the Sweeney-Phillips Funeral Home in Warrensburg early Saturday and was sent to Chicago late Saturday morning.

Funeral services will be held at the Olson - Reiser Funeral Home in Portage.

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