



ST. LOUIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS RELEASE

INCIDENT DATE: 8/23/14 INCIDENT TIME: 5:23 AM

INCIDENT LOCATION: Lake Shagawa (near Shipman Island), Morse Township (Ely area)

INDIVIDUAL(S) INVOLVED: (Refer to News Media Policy-Rules III A. 1 Thru 4: Procedures B.1, A thru J & 1; 2b; 3b; g & h; 4a, b, & c)

Name: Brice Dale Bundy (deceased) Age: 23 Address: Ely, MN
Name: Nicholas Earl White (driver) Age: 27 Address: Babbitt, MN
Name: Matthew Grant Christopherson (passenger) Age: 23 Address: LaPorte, MN

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

On Saturday morning (8/23/14) at around 5:30 AM, the St. Louis County Sheriff's Office responded to a cell phone caller on an island on Shagawa Lake in Morse Township, who was reporting a boat crash. The reported boat crash had allegedly occurred on Friday evening. The two surviving individuals claimed they had struck a rock near an island at a high rate of speed which then ejected all three individuals from the boat and onto a rocky island. Passenger Brice Bundy died at the scene from his injuries. The driver, Nicholas White, and passenger Matthew Christopherson sustained non-life threatening injuries and were rescued by the St. Louis County Rescue Squad. This incident is actively being investigated by the Sheriff's Office at this time.

ICR#14185629

ASSISTING AGENCIES:

St. Louis County Rescue Squad, Ely Police Department, Ely Ambulance/Fire

AUTHORITY: Sgt. Toma DATE : 8/23/14 TIME: 2 PM

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR UPDATE:

AUTHORITY: _____ DATE : _____ TIME: _____