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HUDGENS: HOUSE FIRE IN CANDLER COUNTY KILLS ELDERLY MAN

Atlanta - Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens said fire investigators with his office have ruled a Sunday morning manufactured home fire in Candler County accidental.

Killed in the fire was Harold Rowland, 65. The fire, at the home located at 7330 Stockinghead Road, Metter, Ga., was started by the victim smoking while using oxygen. The fire call came in around 6 a.m.

In 2012, three people died in Georgia house fire as a result of smoking while oxygen was in use.

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