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Clarksville teen dies at Cheatham Dam

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The Cheatham County Sheriff's Office said Galen Jones of Clarksville was swimming at the dam's recreation area with his family when he drowned. The body was found at 7:55 p.m.

The sheriff's office announced the identity in a Facebook post and offered thoughts to the family of the drowning victim.

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Update: The body has been recovered, according to the Ashland City Fire Department.



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