

Suspicious fatal fire investigated by KBI

**(KMZA)--A deadly Marshall County house fire has led to an investigation involving the Kansas Bureau of Investigation.**

**That word comes in a release from the KBI which says the agency is working with the Marshall County Sheriff's Office, and the Office of the State Fire Marshal.**

**The sheriff's office on February 7 requested the assistance of the KBI when circumstances appeared suspicious.**

**The fire happened on the morning of January 24, in Vermillion. Emergency crews responded to the scene, at 301 5th Street, around 7:15, following reports of an explosion and fire.**

**Once the fire was extinguished, crews searched the inside of the home and located the homeowner, 83-year-old Donald McLaughlin, who was pronounced dead.**

**An autopsy was performed and an investigation into the fire and McLaughlin's death began.**

**The release states that authorities do not believe there is any threat to the public as the investigation is ongoing.**

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