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HUDGENS INVESTIGATING FATAL FIRE IN JEFFERSON COUNTY

Atlanta – Fire Investigators with Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens' office are investigating a Sunday morning house fire in Jefferson County that left one dead.

Discovered in the blaze was Frances Warthen, 68. The house, located at 1112 John Davis Road, near Louisville, Ga., was destroyed. Hudgens said the fire was reported by a neighbor around 8:51 a.m.

The victim has been sent to the state crime lab for autopsy. The Louisville Fire Department, Hillcrest Fire Department, and Jefferson County Sheriff's Office are working with Hudgens' office on the case. The exact cause of the fire remains under investigation.