



BODY FOUND IN GRAND LAKE IDENTIFIED

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The body retrieved from Grand Lake on Thursday, Nov. 13, has been identified, Grand River Dam Authority officials said Saturday.

The deceased is Roger Griffith, 29, of Jay, said GRDA spokesman Justin Alberty. It is unclear whether there was a missing person’s report filed on Griffith. Alberty said no other details are being released at this time, but Griffith’s death remains under investigation.

GRDA divers were in the water for about an hour on Thursday. When their boat returned to the dock with Griffith’s body, they also unloaded two five-gallon water-filled buckets. The Grand River Dam Authority police retrieved his body from the Cowskin arm of Grand Lake.

Sources close to the investigation said initially, details of the fishermen’s discovery suggested that a dismembered hand had been discovered. It was later clarified that only a hand was visible in the water to the fishermen.

The body was brought to the shoreline around 4:30 p.m. by GRDA divers and law enforcement. The GRDA boat appeared to be carrying a blue body bag. Hunter McKee, Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation spokesman, said the Medical Examiner’s office took the body to Tulsa.

Josh Bynum, Delaware County Public Information Officer, said a 911 call was received from the Cowskin area on Tuesday night. After searching the area with boats, no one was found, he said. GRDA Police, Delaware County Sheriff’s Office, the Quapaw Marshall Service, and the Monkey Island Fire Department were on the scene for over six hours Thursday.

Banker kidnapped, thrown from Cowskin Bridge in ’89

Cowskin Bridge is about seven miles northeast of Grove. This is the same bridge that Noel, Missouri, banker Dan Short was thrown from in 1989.

Short was kidnapped, made to open the bank, and robbed by Joseph and Shannon Agofsky. The brothers gagged Short and tied him up with duct tape, bound him to a chair, weighed him down with a concrete block and chain hoist, and threw him off Cowskin Bridge into Grand Lake. Officials stated that Short was still alive when he entered the lake.

The brothers were eventually convicted of many state and federal crimes and received two life sentences, although Oklahoma prosecutors sought the death penalty. In 2013, Joseph Agofsky died in a federal prison in North Carolina.

Shannon Agofsky was on death row for the 2004 stomping death of another inmate at the federal prison in Beaumont, Texas. Former President Joe Biden commuted his sentence; Agofsky will serve a life sentence without the possibility of parole.

LEGALS

IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of PHYLLIS MARLENE HALLETT, Deceased.

No. PB-2025-30 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against Phyllis Marlene Hallett, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the Personal Representative,

Felicia Dunbar, at the law office of N. Georgeann Roye, P.O. Box 1303, Miami, Oklahoma 74355, on or before the following presentment date: January 15, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

/s/ Felicia Dunbar
Felicia Dunbar
Personal Representative of the Estate of Phyllis Marlene Hallett, Deceased

Dated: November 12, 2025

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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF OTTAWA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of the Estate of CAROL FRANCES MOORE, Deceased.

No. PB-2025-53 NOTICE TO CREDITORS

All creditors having claims against Carol Frances Moore, deceased, are required to present the same, with a description of all security interests and other collateral (if any) held by each creditor with respect to such claim, to the Personal Representative, Gary L. Moore, at the law office of N. Georgeann Roye, P.O. Box 1303, Miami, Oklahoma 74355, on or before the following presentment date: January 14, 2026, or the same will be forever barred.

/s/ Gary L. Moore
Gary L. Moore, Personal Representative of the Estate of Carol Frances Moore, Deceased

Dated: November 12, 2025

N. Georgeann Roye Attorney for Personal Representative P.O. Box 1303 Miami, Oklahoma 74355 918-961-2210

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Ottawa County Court Report

Marriages

Wallace F. Barnes and Robin Bobbie Jimboy
Donald Wayne Duncan and Rebecca Artemisia Bartlett
Richard Wayne Huffman and Melissa Sue Barton
Dakotah Russell Ray Schulz and Katlyn Marie Victoria Bollig
Chad D. Branson and Mindy Jo Vanzandt
Glenn Allen Urie and Beverly Ann Bridges
Frank James Johnson and Dwarnetta Mornice Brown
Kyle Dean Chapman and Victoria Jean LaFalie
Benjamin Ray Frye and Natalie Jolynn Corder
James Leonard Courtney Jr. and Tanya Louise Francis
Darryl Richard Crawford and Breeana Cherree Smith
Tony Bernell Curtis and Julie Ann Shipman
Cody Joe Degraffenreid and Ashley Marie Thornton
Dalton Wayne Rider and Alyssa Jeanine Faul
Daniel Griggs and Jennifer Angela Meier
Nathan Randall Jackson and Leanna Renee Taylor
Tobias Cody Partington and Cindy Diane Koenig
Nathaniel Ray Wedel and Leah Grace McChesney
Cody Jeremiah Taylor and McKenzie Leigh Owens

Divorces

Kristen Rachell Kunkel vs. Scott D. Kunkel
Anita Marie Lane vs. Lucas Wheatly Lane

Protective Orders

Mary Nell Gray vs. Alex Jason Beets
Joanna Deleon vs. Israel Deleon
Dorothy Dillinger vs. Trayvon Minick
Roger Dale Oakley vs. Cassie Jo Owens

Misdemeanors

State of Oklahoma vs. Timothy Michael Andrew for driving a motor vehicle under the influence of alcohol and drugs
State of Oklahoma vs. Sofia E. Armstrong for driving under the influence
State of Oklahoma vs. Mya Branstetter for threatening to perform act of violence
State of Oklahoma vs. Joshua Michael Brumley for larceny of merchandise from retailer
State of Oklahoma vs. Jerika Suzan Carrow for driving after driver’s license denied/canceled – first offense
State of Oklahoma vs. Jorge Mario Cea for larceny of lost property
State of Oklahoma vs. Jeridawn Nicole Chamberlain for larceny of merchandise from retailer
State of Oklahoma vs. Karie M. Custer for larceny of merchandise from retailer
State of Oklahoma vs. Trey Everett Friend for trespassing after being forbidden
State of Oklahoma vs. Justin Ray Gray for resisting an officer
State of Oklahoma vs. Harley Dustin Heavner for failure to carry insurance/security verification form
State of Oklahoma vs. Lewis Monroe Johnson for protective order violation
State of Oklahoma vs. Donovan Wayne Jones for petit larceny

State of Oklahoma vs. Mark Allen Judd for threaten to perform act of violence
State of Oklahoma vs. David Lee Kane for trespassing after being forbidden
State of Oklahoma vs. Casey Morgan Keene for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Oleksii Khnykin for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Austin Jon Lake for failure to comply with compulsory insurance law
State of Oklahoma vs. Jazzmine Rebecca Lynn Lasiter for neglect or refusal to compel child to attend school
State of Oklahoma vs. Steven Edward Lyman for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Floyd Martin for operate a vehicle without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Jason Polk McAdams for obstructing an officer
State of Oklahoma vs. Leta Ann Pena for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Gary Lee Pepper for larceny of merchandise from retailer
State of Oklahoma vs. Megan Perryman for driving under the influence
State of Oklahoma vs. Jakeub McKenzie Roshto for driving under the influence
State of Oklahoma vs. Onkar Singh for failure to yield or reduce speed for emergency vehicle on shoulder
State of Oklahoma vs. Maddox G. Smith for driving without a valid driver’s license
State of Oklahoma vs. Brian Dustin Stroble for trespassing after being forbidden
State of Oklahoma vs. Jeffery Wayne Willburn for driving with license canceled/suspended/revoked
State of Oklahoma vs. Charlotta Gale Wyrick for driving under the influence – drugs
State of Oklahoma vs. Jason Wyrick for driving under the influence

Felonies

State of Oklahoma vs. Koby Carl William Ray Cooper for possession of stolen vehicle
State of Oklahoma vs. Alfredo Torres Martinez for identity theft – unlawful use of personal identifying information
State of Oklahoma vs. Eric Potarf for running a roadblock after former conviction of felony
State of Oklahoma vs. Daniel Delos Smith for larceny of lost property
State of Oklahoma vs. Randall Eugene Wagoner for harboring fugitive from justice

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