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Missing fisherman found dead at Ahukini Landing

LĪHU‘E – A missing fisherman, 63-year-old Don Jeffries III of Līhuʻe, was found dead Wednesday at Ahukini Landing.

According to a preliminary report, a missing person call was made to Kauaʻi Police Department Dispatch around 11 a.m. after a vehicle was discovered unattended in the parking lot. Fishing equipment and keys were also found nearby on the pier with no one in the area.

Kauaʻi firefighters with Rescue 3, Air 1, Engine 3, and the KFD Dive Team, as well as the on-duty Battalion Chief and the Ocean Safety Bureau East Roving Patrol Unit responded to the scene. A search was conducted around the area where Jeffries’ last location was believed to be.

Kauaʻi police also responded to the scene and the Ahukini Landing parking lot was closed to the public while a search took place.

Jeffries was recovered shortly thereafter by OSB lifeguards and KFD personnel directly below the pier.

Jeffries was pronounced dead at the scene and transported to Wilcox Medical Center. There was no sign of foul play and an autopsy is scheduled to determine the exact cause of death.
Photos courtesy of Kauaʻi Fire Department.

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