Male visitor dies in waters off Polihale Beach

KEKAHA – A 53-year-old male visitor from Roswell, GA died Saturday afternoon while swimming in waters off Polihale Beach in Kekaha.

His identity has not yet been released.

A family member called 911 at approximately 3:25 p.m. when the man was seen unresponsive in the water. Bystanders pulled him to shore and began CPR until firefighters from the Kaua’i Fire Department and PMRF responded to assist.

AMR medics also responded and rescuers continued life-saving efforts while they transported the man to the Kaua’i Veterans Memorial Hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

Volunteers with Life’s Bridges, a grief-counseling service, also responded to assist the family.

An autopsy is pending.

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