



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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Individual Identified in Suspicious Death Investigation: 1300 Block of Thomas Street

On January 12, 2013, at 9:04 p.m., Hampton Communications received a call in reference to a deceased person located in the wooded area of Mary Peake Elementary School located in the 1300 block of Thomas Street. Upon officer's arrival, they located **Jeramiah Elijah Kimble**, a 19-year-old Hampton man who was deceased at the scene.

On January 9, 2013, a missing persons report was initiated for Mr. Jeramiah Kimble. His girlfriend advised that Mr. Kimble had not been seen since Saturday, January 4, 2013. On the evening of January 12, 2013, the family of Mr. Kimble organized a search party in effort to locate him. They subsequently located Mr. Kimble in the wooded area behind Mary Peake Elementary School. The preliminary investigation indicates that the deceased had been in the wooded area for several days and the circumstances surrounding Mr. Kimble's death are unknown and being considered suspicious. The cause of death will be determined by the Medical Examiner.

Anyone with information that will assist police is encouraged to contact the Hampton Police Division at 727-6111 or Crime Line at 1-888-LOCK-U-UP. Crime Line callers remain anonymous and never appear in court. If a Crime Line call results in an arrest, the caller is eligible for a reward up to \$1,000.00. You can also send an anonymous tip via text message to the Hampton Police Division by texting the keyword **757HPD** and your tip to **847411 (tip411)**. (Please be advised that the anonymous texting is not affiliated with Crime Line).

Corporal Mary Shackelford will receive questions about this release at 757-846-6866.

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