

Toledo Man's Body Pulled From Water

Michigan Coroner Says Death Caused By Heart Attack

The body of a Toledo engineering executive was pulled from Devil's Lake, Michigan, Sunday after he collapsed in about three feet of water.

Thomas E. Adkins, 45, of 2333 Chevy Chase Lane, was pronounced dead at the Addison, Mich., Community Hospital. Dr. Perry Rawson, deputy Lenawee County medical examiner, ruled that Mr. Adkins died of a heart attack.

Mr. Adkins had waded into the water about 7 p.m. to prepare to return his sailboat to the lake's yacht club. One of his daughters noticed that he was missing, and a neighbor pulled him from the water, according to the Addison fire department rescue squad.

Mr. Adkins was chief engineer in charge of equipment for Doehler-Jarvis, division of NL Industries, Inc., where he had worked for 20 years.

He was a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and had a master's degree from Penn State University.

He was a member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Maumee, and the North Cape Yacht Club.

Surviving are his wife, Marie; daughters, Lynn and Diane; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Adkins; and brothers, Daniel and David.

Private services will be Tuesday at 2 p.m. in the Ansberg-West Mortuary.

The family requests that any tributes be in the form of contributions to St. Paul's Episcopal Church.