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Death Investigation

On May 20, 2020, at approximately 2:35 PM, Oldham County Police, Oldham County EMS, and the South Oldham Fire Department were dispatched to the 6600 block of KY 329 to an individual that had been struck by a falling tree. Upon arrival, emergency responders found Benjamin Oliver, DOB 10/15/1986 of Crestwood, KY deceased.

Police learned that the homeowner had hired Crestwood Cutters, who employed Mr. Oliver, to remove a large tree from the property. Other employees of Crestwood Cutters advised that while preparing to remove the base of the tree, Mr. Oliver had cut a wedge into the front of the tree. As Mr. Oliver prepared to move to the rear of the tree to finish cutting it, the tree snapped and fell, trapping Mr. Oliver beneath it. Employees were unable to move the tree section due to its weight and had the homeowner call 911.

If anyone has any information in this or any other case, please contact the Oldham County Police Department at 502-222-1300.