



SHERIFF KOOTENAI COUNTY



SHERIFF **BEN WOLFINGER**

UNDERSHERIFF **DAN MATTOS**

Media Release

For Immediate Release:
June 18, 2018

Contact: PIO Det. D. Stinebaugh
208-758-1045 / 208-446-2236
sopio@kcgov.us

Kootenai County Volunteer Search and Rescue Locates Body

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho: On Sunday June 17, 2018 members of the Kootenai County Volunteer Search and Rescue located and recovered the body of Lyle O. Anderson – 86, who was reported as missing out of Hayden, ID on June 10, 2018

Saturday, June 16, 2018, the Sheriff's Office received information indicating Anderson vehicle was possibly located on FSR 437 near FSR 1526. The Sheriff's Office Back Country Patrol and Search and Rescue members responded. They were able to confirm the reported vehicle was Anderson's Jeep and started a search of the immediate area. Their initial search Saturday was eventually suspended due to darkness. They resumed their search early Sunday morning and found Anderson's body approximately 1.5 miles away from his vehicle along a forest trail.

Also reported missing with Anderson was his dog "Kiera." "Kiera was found with Anderson and appeared to be in good health. "Kiera" was re-united with Anderson's family with the help of a KCSO Animal Control Officer.

Detectives responded to the scene and will investigate this incident as an unattended death. The cause of Anderson's death has not yet been determined, but an autopsy has been scheduled. Since this is still an active investigation, no further information is available for release.

A special thank you to the Kootenai County Volunteer Search and Rescue (VSAR) for their dedicated service to our community. VSAR had more than 40 of their members actively searching the area on Sunday, Father's Day.

Sheriff Ben Wolfinger
By: Det. D. Stinebaugh
Case # 18-24174