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DROWNING INCIDENT IN GULF COUNTY

GULF COUNTY, FL — On Sunday, June 8, 2025, at approximately 2:00 PM the Gulf County Sheriff's Office responded to a 911 call regarding a possible drowning in the 3800 block of Cape San Blas Road. When deputies arrived, emergency personnel from Gulf County EMS and South Gulf Fire Rescue were on the scene and engaged in life-saving efforts.

Tragically, the rip-current claimed the life of Timothy Franklin, 47, of Georgia. He was swimming with a family member when he suddenly became caught in a rip-current.

The Gulf County Sheriff's Office is grateful for the numerous members of the community that have wrapped themselves around the Franklin family to provide support during this incredibly difficult time. This is a heartbreaking incident and the family remains in our thoughts and prayers.

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