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Missing man's body found Wednesday

**(KNZA)--A tragic ending to an investigation into the whereabouts of a missing Topeka man.**

**Jackson County Sheriff Tim Morse, in a news release Wednesday night, said the body of Dannie Smith was discovered in Jackson County Wednesday afternoon.**

**The 70-year-old Smith was reported missing to Topeka Police January 6, and had not been seen since January 4.**

**When Smith was found, Morse said his chocolate Labrador Retriever, Bear, was at his side.**

**Smith's body was located a half-mile north of the Shawnee County line, on P4 Road, a mile and a-half west of U.S. Highway 75.**

**According to Morse, P4 is a low maintenance road that becomes impassable during wet weather, and investigators who received the report of a dead body discovered a pickup truck stuck in the mud upon their arrival.**

**An autopsy will be conducted in Kansas City, Kansas to determine Smith's cause of death.**

**Morse said the Topeka resident was known to travel to the reservation in Jackson County to purchase cigarettes.**

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