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Missing Person

Location of Incident: Kofa Wildlife Refuge

On Thursday, November 21, 2019, at approximately 12:51 p.m., the La Paz County Sheriff’s Office requested assistance in searching for a Silver Alert missing person out of Lawrence, Kansas in the area of Highway 95 between La Paz County and Yuma County.

The missing person was identified as James Lewis Larson, 90, of Sharpsburg, Iowa. Mr. Larson was last seen on Wednesday, November 13, 2019. He was traveling from Iowa to Yuma; however, he had not shown up in Yuma as of November 21st.

YCSO Deputies and Search and Rescue Unit, along with members of the Civil Air Patrol Units and Yuma Proving Ground Units, assisted in searching for Mr. Larson in the areas of Highway 95 near mile marker 76 and the Kofa Wildlife Refuge.

On Sunday, November 25, 2019, at approximately 12:20 a.m., the YCSO Search and Rescue Unit, along with the assistance of the Civil Air Patrol Units, located Mr. Larson deceased in a wash near a trail in the Kofa Wildlife Refuge, near the northern boundary of the YPG Kofa Firing Range. His vehicle was located nearby, high centered and stuck on a ledge. Next of kin has been notified.

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