

Flood Search Ends In Tragic Discovery

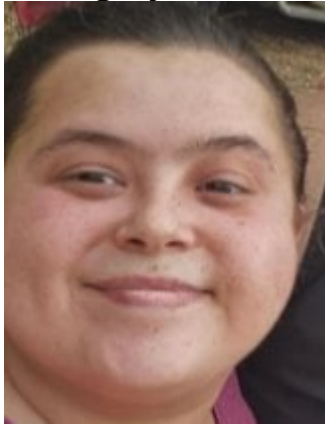
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CRAWFORD COUNTY, MO. - The Crawford County Sheriff's Office said that flood-related search efforts in Crawford County, Missouri, ended after volunteer searchers found Faith Gregory dead in Huzzah Creek, about 1.8 miles downstream from her



residence.

At about 11:30 a.m. Saturday, July 11, 2026, volunteer searchers located Gregory and immediately notified law enforcement personnel assigned to the operation, according to an update from Sheriff Darin J. Layman. Members of the Missouri State Highway Patrol, Crawford County Sheriff's Office, Steelville Fire Protection District, Quad County Fire Protection District and the Crawford County coroner responded to recover the victim.

"It is with deep sadness that we report the missing victim was located deceased approximately 1.8 miles downstream from her residence in the Huzzah Creek," the sheriff's office said.

The sheriff's office said the search's conclusion was not the outcome responders had hoped for.

"This is not the outcome that any of us were hoping for," the statement said. "Our thoughts and prayers are with Faith's family, friends, and all those affected by this tragic loss."

At about 3:30 a.m. Friday, July 10, 2026, rising Huzzah Creek water sparked a collapse of a wall at the house Gregory and her boyfriend, Logan Ousley, resided in off Highway V. Gregory, Ousley, and their four dogs jumped into a green-and-tan kayak. Ousley was able to make it out of the water. However, Gregory and the dogs were swept away.

One of the dogs was discovered alive eight miles away from the couple's house. However, three others remained missing.

The sheriff's office thanked volunteers, fire departments, law enforcement agencies, emergency responders, drone operators, and search personnel who took part in the effort despite what it described as difficult and hazardous conditions.

"The Crawford County Sheriff's Office extends our sincere gratitude to the many volunteers, fire departments, law enforcement agencies, emergency responders, drone operators, and search personnel who dedicated countless hours to this search effort despite difficult and hazardous conditions," the statement said. "Your professionalism, teamwork, and commitment to serving others made an incredible difference throughout this operation."

The office also thanked community members who brought food, water, and other refreshments to first responders at the scene.

"We also want to express our heartfelt appreciation to the members of our community who generously brought food, water, and other refreshments to the scene for first responders," the statement said. "Your kindness and support during a difficult time were deeply appreciated by everyone involved."

The sheriff's office said no additional information would be released out of respect for the family's privacy.