

Police Seek To Identify Body Found in River

Glastonbury police are seeking help in identifying a body which was pulled out of the Connecticut River April 21.

Police said the body could have come from anywhere up-river during heavy rains and flooding.

The body is that of a white man between 55 and 65 years old, about five feet, nine inches tall and about 170 pounds.

Police reported three tattoos on the body — a naked girl on the right arm and part of a bird's wing and the letters "W-A-R-D" on the left arm. Police said the letters could possibly form part of the name Howard, but the tattoo could not be clearly read.

A hernia operation had been performed on the left groin.

The body was clad in black leather shoes, heavy socks, a leather belt, and what appeared to be a red and dark-striped shirt.

The cause of death has not been determined, but police said the man has been dead from six months to two years.

The body was first spotted by Wethersfield Police, but by the time they were able to reach it, it had been carried by the current to the Glastonbury side of the river.

The body was finally pulled out of the water in Glastonbury with a Wethersfield Fire Department litter basket.