

Deputy man dies from injuries east of Henryville when tree falls on him

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A Deputy man died on Monday afternoon, August 6, east of Henryville where he and another man were cutting down a tree damaged in the March 2 tornadoes that swept through that area.

Danny Shelton, 48, and another man were cutting the tree for a Deputy lumber yard, Tina's Logging, for whom the men worked. The pair had notched the tree in preparation for it falling. However, those plans went tragically amiss. Shelton's co-worker told Clark County Sheriff Danny Rodden that a limb fell out of the tree when pushed by a sudden gust of wind. The limb hit Shelton, the co-worker stated, pushing him back and into the path of the falling tree.

Clark County Coroner Edwin Coots declared Shelton dead at the scene from blunt force trauma.

The men had been working off Henryville-Otisco Road at Dieterlan Road. The fatal accident happened shortly after 2:30 p.m.

Shelton is survived by his wife of 25 years, Vicky Lynn Dunham Shelton, two sons and a daughter, his mother, Lena Pearl Canter Shelton of North Vernon, and four brothers and five sisters.

A self-employed brick layer for 27 years, he had worked for the Deputy logging company for the last 18 months.

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Calling is scheduled to be conducted on Friday, August 10, from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Morgan and Nay Funeral Centre in Madison.

The funeral service is scheduled at the funeral home on Saturday, August 11, at 11 a.m. Pastor Steve Herald will officiate.

Burial will be in Pisgah Cemetery near Deputy.

On-line condolences may be expressed to the family by visiting www.morgan-nay.com.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Danny Shelton Memorial Fund in care of the funeral home.