

182 Dam Related Fatalities

Please join us in working to prevent more fatalities.

Since 2010 (22 lives lost)

1990 - 2009 (40)

1970 - 1989 (40)

1950 - 1969 (31)

1960's (19)

- Palisades (LHDpalisades.html) - May 11, 1969, Daniel Shelton, inflatable raft over the dam
- Iowa City (LHDburlingtonst.html) - January 23, 1969, Michael Hulihan, oarless boat over dam
- July 27, 1968, Bellevue, Lee Roy, Janice Pickel & Kim Kieffer (all children, parents survive), boating
- Manchester (LHDdundee.html) - July 18, 1968, Bill Tibbott, seining for fish
- July 4, 1968, Earl Stone & Victor Arenschield, fishing boat over Lock & Dam 15, Davenport, Scott County
- June 1, 1967, Clarence, Clarence Jr. & Bonnie Hafley while fishing at Lake Darling State Park dam
- Lynnvile (LHDlynnville.html) - February 12, 1967, Shelby Crawford, slipped on ice and into water flowing over the dam
- Iowa City (LHDburlingtonst.html) - June 16, 1965, John Neuzil, attempted to retrieve beach balls trapped in the boil
- Littleton (LHDlittleton.html) - June 9, 1963, boaters Merrill Broshar & Lloyd McAllister
- Ames (LHDusfilter.html) - May 3, 1963, David Barnhart, floating with friends
- Palisades (LHDpalisades.html) - May 20, 1962, Gary Nolte, fell from dam while netting fish for a group of children
- Linn Grove (LHDlinngrove.html) - April 24, 1962, John Rex, fishing boat capsized
- Des Moines (LHDcenterst.html) - May 30, 1960, Elaine Long, boating

1950's (12)

- Littleton (LHDlittleton.html) - June 7, 1959, swimmer Casper C. Cook

- Ottumwa (LHDottumwa.html) - March 19, 1959, Dennis Johnson & Charles Slaton, drowned in high, swirling waters below dam
- Manchester (LHDdundee.html) - May 29, 1958, Jan Speed, 19, tried to swim across the river just above the dam
- Ottumwa (LHDottumwa.html) - April 7, 1958, LaVerne Robert Porter, 10, slipped off a dam abutment
- August 13, 1957, Clarence Rau, wading at Linksville Lock & Dam #9
- Adel (LHDadel.html) - December 21, 1956, Donald Greenslade, through thin ice
- Mason City (LHDmasoncity.html) - July 8, 1955, Norman Pheil & Enoch Kaloplostos, swimming
- Cedar Falls (LHDcedarfalls.html) - July 7, 1954, Lyell Corwin, fell in while fishing
- Des Moines (LHDscottave.html) - June 15, 1952, Mary Arzetta Jones, wading
- Waucoma (LHDwaucoma.html) - June 10, 1950, Bernard Bouska, swimming below the dam

1900 - 1949 (48)



Personal flotation devices (PFDs) help save lives!

Promoting river safety, education, and recreation

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