182 Dam Related Fatalities

Please join us in working to prevent more fatalities.

Since 2010 (22 lives lost)

1990 - 2009 (40)

1970 - 1989 (40)

1980's (14)

- Coralville (LHDcoralville.html) July 25, 1987, Andy Lepic, fishing
- Palisades (LHDcornbelt.html) August 2, 1986, Douglas Timmerman, swimming
- Hazelton (LHDhazelton.html) Fontana Lake Dam, March 19, 1986, Lee Fox, Jr. & Jeff Roepke, rafting
- Humboldt (LHDcornbelt.html) May 23, 1985, Reggie, Ronald & Stacy Tate, canoeing
- July 15, 1984, Mike Paulline, fishing boat over Lock & Dam 13, Clinton, Clinton County
- Fort Dodge (LHDfdlittle.html) July 10, 1983, Patrick Darby, inner tube floating
- August 7, 1982, James Sopher & Robert Davis, fishing boat capsized below Lock & Dam 19, Keokuk, Lee County
- Des Moines (LHDcenterst.html) May 10, 1982, Larry Clark, raft overturned after going over dam
- Littleton (LHDlittleton.html) June, 1980, Rebecca Marie Cory
- Steamboat Rock (LHDsteamboat.html) June 7, 1980, Vance Hartline, rubber raft capsized after going over dam

1970's (26)

- Cedar Rapids (LHDcedarrapidscst.html) August 10, 1978,
 Bruce Alkire & Benny Wieland, fell in while fishing
- June 22, 1977, Thomas Schlatter, Charles Doty & Terry Winder, fishing boat capsized in boil at Lock & Dam 13, Clinton, Clinton County
- Cedar Rapids (LHDcedarrapidscst.html) May 20, 1976, C.R. firefighters Melvin Goebel & Robert Simon during training above the dam
- Anamosa (LHDanamosa.html) July 22, 1974, brothers Brad & Dan Becker, swimming

- July 19, 1974, boaters Patrick Neal & Peter Knight in Saylorville Dam spillway, Polk County
- Otranto (LHDotranto.html) June 14, 1974, Allan Blake, 12, while walking across the dam
- Iowa City (LHDburlingtonst.html) June 25, 1973, Michael Canavan, inflatable raft swept over dam
- May 28, 1973, two boaters died at Lake Darling State Park dam, Washington County
- Coralville (LHDcoralville.html) May 16, 1973, Richard W. Goss, canoe swept over dam
- Waverly (LHDwaverly.html) May 15, 1973, James Longmuir, dam accident volunteer rescuer became a victim
- Cedar Rapids (LHDcedarrapidscst.html) April 15, 1973 brothers Daniel & Donald Chapman in raft over dam
- August 12, 1972, William T. Harris, Sr. & William Harris, Jr., fishing boat went over & capsized at Lock & Dam 18, Burlington, Des Moines County
- Boone (LHDboone.html) July 30, 1972, canoeist Glenn Houlberg & boater William McAlpine who attempted rescue
- June 27, 1972, Derick Kosterman, swimming below Coralville Reservoir Dam, Johnson County
- Cedar Falls (LHDcedarfalls.html) April 24, 1971, Randy Scheffert from one of two boats over dam
- Boone (LHDboone.html) April 24, 1971, canoeist Tom Huerter, a rescuer who became a victim

1950 - 1969 (31)

1900 - 1949 (48)



Personal flotation devices (PFDs) help save lives!

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