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## Grand Canyon News Release

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### SALT LAKE CITY MAN DIES IN BOATING ACCIDENT IN GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

**Grand Canyon, Ariz.** – A 62 year-old Salt Lake City man died yesterday afternoon while rafting on the Colorado River within Grand Canyon National Park. Marc Allred and another man were running Crystal Rapid at approximately River Mile 98 when their cataraft flipped ejecting both men from the boat. One man was able to swim to shore; Allred was picked up by another boat in the party. Once on board, Allred became unconscious and was unresponsive. Individuals on the boat initiated CPR, and contacted the National Park Service by satellite phone.

National Park Service rangers responded and continued CPR efforts, but efforts to revive Allred were unsuccessful.

A total of four boats and 12 people were on the private trip that launched from Lees Ferry on March 20. The 25-day trip was scheduled to take out in Lake Mead National Recreation Area on April 13. The body of Allred was flown by helicopter to the South Rim and then transferred to the Coconino County Medical Examiner's Office in Flagstaff, Arizona. Allred's wife, who was also on the trip, was flown to the South Rim. The remaining trip participants continued down river.

An investigation will be conducted by the National Park Service and the Coconino County Medical Examiner.

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