

[Chaplin, Justin]

MAN IS FOUND DEAD IN CAR
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GASPORT—A 30-year-old Middleport resident was found dead in his auto Saturday in a field off Townline Rd. between Root and Wruck Rds. near here.

Justin Chaplin, 30, of 30 Watson Ave., Middleport, was discovered by two men who were squirrel hunting. Sheriff's deputies said a hose was connected from the auto exhaust pipe and led into the car.

Niagara County Coroner Dr. Gerard Cacio of Youngstown withheld a death certificate pending an autopsy.

Sgt. John Ginty and deputies Werner Spielberger and Theodore Krzmir investigated.

Mr. Chaplin was born in Lockport Jan. 20, 1929. A four-year veteran of the Navy, he worked the last two years at Wolfe's Lumber Yard in Hartland. Mr. Chaplin was a member of the Universalist Church in Middleport.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Martin Chaplin; three sons, Robert, Ronald and Randall, all at home; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Chaplin; a brother, Erford Chaplin; and a sister, Mrs. Donald Wilson, all of Gasport, and a grandfather, George Chase, of Lockport.

Private services will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday at the Bream Funeral Home here. The Rev. Charles Wood of the Middleport Universalist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Hartland Central Cemetery.

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