

**Shelby County Fire Department
Headquarters
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Memphis, TN 38134**



******* NOTIFICATION *******

Date: May 3, 2012

Just after 6pm on the 2nd of May 2012, Shelby County Fire Department Dispatchers initiated a "Full Assignment" for a residential structure fire at 9280 Riveredge in an unincorporated section of Cordova. Firefighters from Memphis City, Germantown and Shelby County Fire Departments began arriving and reporting that heavy smoke was pushing from all sides of the home and fire was showing on the south side of the residence.

The three occupants of the home were located outside of the burning home near the street and were transported to Methodist Germantown Hospital for precautionary observation in good condition for slight smoke inhalation. During an initial search for the potential of any more people that might have been in the house, fire fighting began in earnest in a very difficult attempt to locate the seat of the increasing blaze. Very heavy smoke saturated the neighborhood while additional resources continued to arrive. And in all, no less than eleven engine companies with some seventy emergency workers were on the scene at peak strength.

Despite the strong efforts of the fire fighters, the home was destroyed by this fire. Investigators from Shelby County and Germantown Fire Departments are on the scene this morning in an initial attempt to learn more about the possible cause and behavior of this fire but results are not expected any time soon, primarily due to the fact that there is so much debris to sort through. There were no injuries to emergency responders working on this scene.

The 7,205 square foot home was once owned by well known musician and actor Isaac Hayes who suffered a fatal stroke there in October of 2008.

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