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Police locate missing man, Stephen Landen, deceased *No indications of foul play*

Howard County police have located the body Stephen Wells Landen, 64, who was reported missing yesterday after he didn't return home to Chateau Ridge Drive in Ellicott City after walking his dog.

An HCPD school resource officer conducting a search of the grounds around Centennial High School this morning found Landen, who appeared to have fallen down a steep incline. Landen's dog was located alive near his body. Preliminarily, it appears that weather may have been a contributing factor in Landen's death.

Police had been actively searching for Landen since receiving the report. Officers set up a unified command post with the fire department yesterday, conducted grid searches on foot, and used multiple K-9 teams and a police helicopter throughout the night. The department released Landen's photo and asked for the public's help in finding him.

Landen's family has been notified of his death. There are no indications of foul play.

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