

Where There Is Smoke

- (1) An 80-year-old woman died Tuesday afternoon in a fire.
- (2) The blaze was reported about 2:30 p.m. at a home on Sunnyside Avenue.
- (3) The victim was identified as Mary Cass.
- (4) Her husband, Roy Cass, 80, was not at home at the time of the fire.
- (5) Investigators from the local fire department were trying to determine the exact cause.
- (6) They said it looked like the woman had fallen asleep on the sofa with a cigarette in her hand.
- (7) The couple married in 1952.
- (8) Both of them had been smokers throughout most of their adult lives.
- (9) Six months ago, they decided to quit.
- (10) They went to a clinic that promised to help people give up.
- (11) It worked!
- (12) They both managed to go tobacco-free.
- (13) Authorities took Mr. Cass to a nursing home where he could be kept under surveillance.
- (14) “Sometimes, when a person discovers that their life-long spouse is dead, they feel they have nothing left to live for – and they take their own lives,” said a nursing home spokesperson.

語注

Where there is smoke 日本語の「火のない所に煙は立たぬ」に相当する英語のことわざ
“There is no smoke without fire.” = “Where there's smoke there's fire.” の一部

- (2) blaze 炎; 火災
- (3) victim 犠牲者、被害者 identify A as B A を B であると確認[認定]する
- (5) investigator 捜査官 determine 確定[特定]する
- (12) tobacco-free タバコを吸わない
- (13) nursing home 介護施設、老人ホーム surveillance 監視、見張り
- (14) spouse 配偶者 take one's own life 自殺する