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## **Parachute Fails, Skydiver Killed**

LAKE GENEVA, Wis. — Stephen L. Benson, 24, Chatham, N.J., fell to his death Sunday when his parachute failed to open as he was skydiving near Lake Geneva.

His body fell in a farm field near the monastery on County Trunk B., south of the lake.

Walworth County deputy sheriffs said Benson was vacationing here and had gone skydiving for recreation. He leaped from a plane which is based at the Jump Club, a skydiving club on Wisconsin 120 near Lake Geneva.

Deputies said an investigation was under way to determine why the chute failed to open.