



DEVASTATION: Greg and Belinda Williams standing in front of the burnt out remains of their dream business with their children Nathan, Dylan and Tehlea and grandchildren Lachlan and Madison.

Dreams up in smoke

Truck torching devastates family

WHEN the Williams family fell victim to a random act of malice last week, they lost more than just their most prized possession - they also lost their "last hope".

In the early hours of Tuesday morning, an arsonist broke into the family's Hyno Truck, which was parked outside their family home in Buffalo Crescent North, and set it alight, damaging the vehicle beyond repair and devastating their dreams of one day owning

their own transport company.

"The impact of this whole thing has just left us bewildered," Greg Williams said.

"We are struggling to get by each day and that truck was our last hope."

Mr Williams and his wife Belinda are not rich people. They have seven children and seven grand-

children and, like most Australians, survive paycheque to paycheque.

For the last 20 years, Mr Williams has supported his family by working as a truck driver but two years ago he decided to put an action plan into place to improve his children's future.

Before he passed away in 2006, one of Mr Williams' good friends

was in the process of purchasing a truck from Barnett's, the same company for which they both worked. After his death, Mr Williams told his employers that if they were still looking to sell the truck he would be interested in buying it.

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Fall claims man's life

A LOCAL electrician has died after falling through fibreglass sheeting on an awning during a routine antenna installation.

The 60-year-old family man was believed to have been operating on his own at the time of the incident. However the occupant of the Bourke St unit was below.

Detective sergeant Brett Darnell of Goulburn Police said at about 2.20pm on Thursday the man was conducting routine electrical work when it appeared part of the roof gave way, resulting in him falling more than three metres.

The man was conveyed to Goulburn Base Hospital suffering severe head injuries.

Snowy SouthCare helicopter flew the man to Canberra Hospital for specialist clinical treatment, however he was pronounced dead on arrival.

Police have not released the man's name at the family's request.

NSW Ambulance paramedics also treated the 52-year-old occupant of the premises for suspected spinal and shoulder injuries and transported him to Goulburn Base Hospital.

A WorkCover inspector conducted a preliminary inspection of the residence. An investigation by police and WorkCover is underway into the cause of the accident and a report will be prepared for the coroner.

The man had been an electrician for many years and was well known in the community.

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