



Swope Rodante Wins: Manatee County jury returned a verdict finding The L.E. Myers Company guilty of negligence

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After 8 hours of deliberations over two days, a Manatee County jury returned a verdict finding The L.E. Myers Company guilty of negligence for failure to close a traffic lane prior to beginning roadside construction activity as required by the permit terms which resulted in the death of Sarasota resident Allen Young. The jury awarded the Estate of Allen Young \$1.2 Million for the pain and suffering caused by Mr. Young's death, and \$9.8 Million in punitive damages – which is believed to be one of the highest punitive damages awards in Manatee County history – for the actions of The L.E. Myers Company in causing Mr. Young's death.

The Plaintiff was represented by the Tampa law firm of Swope, Rodante P.A. Swope, Rodante P.A. is the direct, continuous descendant of a solo practice Dale Swope first founded in 1979. The firm is a twelve lawyer civil trial practice firm with offices in Tampa, Florida and Atlanta, Georgia. Practice areas include catastrophic personal injuries or wrongful death, insurance coverage disputes, and both first party and third party insurance bad faith actions. The firm's team of experienced and knowledgeable attorneys and staff work with an unyielding commitment to protecting the rights of the injured and underinsured.

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