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Lanai resident Robert "Bobby" Amaral, who suffers from dementia, has been missing since Friday.

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Search for missing 77-year-old to resume

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More than 100 concerned residents joined police and firefighters yesterday in the search for a 77-year-old Lanai City man, who went missing early Friday.

Robert "Bobby" Amaral suffers from dementia. Police said he was last seen about 5:45 a.m. Friday in Lanai City, wearing a light-blue T-shirt, dark blue-gray plaid pajama pants, off-white running shoes and a blue cap.

Amaral apparently wandered off from his home, where he lives with family, a Lanai police lieutenant said. Amaral has been lost before and found.

Yesterday, searchers scoured sites across Lanai, but as of last night had not found Amaral. The search will resume at first light today and volunteers are again expected to come out in force.

In addition to police and firefighters, the Hawaii National Guard and state Department of Land and Natural Resources participated in yesterday's search.

Anyone with information on Amaral's whereabouts can call Lanai police at 244-6496.