

Troopers Investigating Fatal Crash – Cheswold

Cheswold, Delaware- The Delaware State Police Collision Reconstruction Unit is investigating a fatal crash that occurred late last night.

The incident occurred on Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at approximately 11:20 p.m. when a 2006 Ford F-150 was traveling northbound on U.S. 13 North DuPont Highway south of Cheswold, Delaware. The F-150 was in the right lane approaching the traffic light at Jerome Drive directly behind a Tour Bus. The Tour Bus was traveling northbound on North DuPont Highway in the right lane approaching the traffic light at Jerome Drive in front of the F-150. The bus was slowing for the red light and almost stopped when the F-150 drove into the rear of the bus in the right lane. The Tour bus continued northbound and stopped in the right lane just south of Jerome Drive. The F-150 pickup truck rotated slightly counterclockwise and stopped facing in a north easterly direction in the right lane behind the bus in the area of the impact.

The operator of the Ford F-150, a 42 year old male from Kenton, Delaware, was not wearing his seat-belt. He was pronounced deceased at the scene. Identification of the victim is pending notification of next of kin and extended family.

The operator of the Commercial Tour Bus, 47 year old male of New York was not injured in the collision. The bus was carrying four passengers traveling to Chinatown in New York City. None of the passengers were injured in the collision and were released from the scene.

U.S. 13 North DuPont Highway in the area of the crash was closed for approximately four hours while the investigation was completed and the roadway was cleared.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@delaware.gov

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