Delaware State Police Investigating Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash- Newark

Newark- Delaware State Police are investigating a fatal motor vehicle crash that occurred on Saturday afternoon.

On April 3, 2021, at approximately 2:40 p.m., a 2001 Chevrolet Silverado, was traveling on Stanton Christiana Road (Route 7) northbound in the right lane of travel approaching the intersection with Old Stanton Christiana Road. A 2012 Mazda 3, was traveling on Route 7 southbound approaching the same intersection and entered the left turn lane at the intersection. The Silverado proceeded to enter the intersection as its traffic control signal was green. Tthe traffic signal for Route 7 southbound was green for through traffic. The Mazda failed to yield the right of way and turned left entering into the path of the Silverado. The front of Silverado struck the front right corner of the Mazda within the intersection. After impact, the Silverado struck a guardrail and curb located along the eastern edge of Route 7 north of the intersection where it came to its final resting location. The Mazda spun and came to rest in the northbound lanes of Route 7 north of the collision scene.

The operator of the Silverado was a 67-year-old male of Wilmington. He and his 67-year-old female passenger of Wilmington were transported to a nearby hospital by ambulance for medical treatment.

The operator of the Mazda was an 87-year-old female of Wilmington who was properly restrained. She was transported to an area hospital by ambulance where she was pronounced deceased. Identification is pending notification to next of kin.

Route 7 northbound was completely shut down for approximately 3.5 hours due to the investigation.

The Delaware State Police Troop 2 Collision Reconstruction Unit is continuing to investigate the collision. Anyone with information regarding this collision should contact Cpl/1 M. Callio by calling 302-365-8483. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com .

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. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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