

Update – Victim Identified

Delaware State Police Investigate Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash Involving a Tractor Trailer and Passenger Vehicle

Delaware State Police have identified **John Joyce, 80, of Alexandria, VA** as the victim who died during a fatal motor vehicle collision involving a tractor trailer and passenger vehicle, Wednesday afternoon in the Bridgeville area.

On April 27, 2022, at approximately 1:52 p.m., a 2022 Freightliner Truck Tractor towing a 2012 Viking Trailer was traveling westbound on Seashore Highway (DE Rt 404) approaching the intersection at Scotts Store Road (DE Rt 36). A 2021 Nissan Altima was stopped at the stop sign on southbound Scotts Store Road at this intersection. For unknown reasons, the driver of the Altima failed to remain stopped as the Freightliner approached the intersection, and pulled into its path while turning left onto Seashore Highway. The Freightliner attempted to brake and swerve to avoid striking the Nissan, but was unable to, resulting in the front right of the Freightliner striking the left side of the Altima.

The driver and sole occupant of the Freightliner, a 64-year-old Milford man, was properly restrained and was not injured.

The driver of the Nissan Altima, identified as John Joyce, was properly restrained and was transported to an area hospital by helicopter in critical condition. Unfortunately, on Thursday, April 28th, 2022, Joyce succumbed to his injuries.

A 77-year-old Alexandria, VA, woman was properly restrained in the front passenger seat. She was transported to an area hospital and admitted with serious injuries.

The Delaware State Police Troop 7 Collision Reconstruction Unit continue to investigate this crash. Anyone who witnessed this collision is asked to contact Master Corporal K. Argo by calling 302-703-3264. Information may also be provided by sending a Private Facebook Message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.delawarecrimestoppers.com.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and need 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 at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.

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