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Fatality Crash

UPDATE 9:00 p.m. – Maccorkle Avenue SE (WV Route 61) between Handley and Montgomery has reopened.

Crash investigators with the Kanawha County Sheriff's Office determined a white Hyundai sedan was traveling eastbound towards Montgomery before the crash. The Hyundai traveled left of the center line and into the westbound lane before striking the guardrail face. The vehicle returned to the eastbound lane before crossing the center line again and colliding with a red Dodge SUV in a head-on collision.

The male driver of the SUV was transported to Montgomery General Hospital with non-life-threatening injuries and the driver of the sedan, Mr. David McCallister, 59 of Belle, WV., died at the scene.

Deputies are still investigating the circumstances that contributed to the crash and have not ruled out a possible medical episode.

Handley, WV- Kanawha County Sheriff's Deputies are on the scene of a two-vehicle crash between Handley and Montgomery on Maccorkle Avenue SE (WV Route 61). Deputies have confirmed that two individuals were involved in the crash. One person was transported to the hospital with serious injuries and the other died at the scene.

MacCorkle Avenue SE (WV Route 61) between Handley and Montgomery will be closed indefinitely while crash investigators work to determine the circumstances surrounding the crash.

Please avoid the area if possible and use alternative routes such as US Route 60 to avoid lengthy delays.

Additional information will be released as soon as possible.



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