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Allen Center Road Crash Claims the Life of Marysville Man

On July 27, 2023, at approximately 12:57 pm, the Union County Sheriff's Office received a report of a non-injury hit-skip crash that occurred near the intersection of Honda Parkway and Allen Center Road. The caller reported the vehicle that caused the crash fled from the scene eastbound on Allen Center Road. While deputies were responding to the scene of the initial hit-skip crash, the Sheriff's Office received a report of a single-vehicle rollover crash on Allen Center Road, west of Holycross Epps Road. Deputies and units from the Allen Township Fire Department responded to the scene of the rollover crash and found the driver unresponsive and trapped inside a 2020 Nissan Altima. The preliminary investigation has determined the Nissan Altima was the suspect vehicle that had fled from the initial crash at the intersection of Honda Parkway and Allen Center Road. The driver of Nissan was driving eastbound on Allen Center Road when he drove off the road, struck a driveway culvert, and rolled over. The victim was transported to Memorial Hospital where he was later pronounced deceased. There were no other passengers in the vehicle. The victim has been identified as Frank L. Blackburn, age 43 of Marysville. The preliminary investigation has also determined that excessive speed was a significant factor in the crash. The victim was wearing a safety belt at the time of the crash. Allen Center Road was closed for approximately three hours while the crash was investigated. The Sheriff's Office was assisted at the scene by the Allen Township Road Maintenance Department. The crash remains under investigation.

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Crash Scene Photo

