

Media Information

Columbus Division of Police Homicide Bureau / Accident Investigation Unit

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Date: 01/01/2025

Type of Offense/Incident: Fatal Traffic Crash Date: 01/01/2025 Time: 12:55 AM

Location of Offense/Incident: Alkire Road & Norton Road Precinct: 10 Zone: 3

Incident Report #: 250000296 **Cruiser District: 100**

Victim: Keith H	I. Klatt	Sex: M	Race: W	Age: 56
Victim: Joellen F. Klatt		Sex: F	Race: W	Age: 53
Victim:		Sex:	Race:	Age:
Suspect:		Address:		
☐ Arrested	☐ Warrant on File	Sex:	Race:	Age:
Charges:				
Suspect:		Address:		
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Incident Summary: On January 1 st , 2025, at approximately 12:55 a.m., a blue, 2018 Hyundai Elantra was stopped, disabled, within the intersection of Alkire Road & Norton Road. The Hyundai had been involved in a non-injury crash and the occupants from the Hyundai (listed victims) were standing outside of the vehicle, in process of exchanging information with the other involved vehicle operator. At this time, a blue, 2007 Dodge Dakota pickup truck approached the intersection from the west. The pickup truck struck the disabled Hyundai, as well as the occupants from the Hyundai who had been standing near the vehicle. Listed Victim #1, Mr. Keith H. Klatt, was prounced dead at the scene, at 1:00 a.m., by responding EMS. Listed Victim #2, Ms. Joellen F. Klatt, was transported to the OhioHealth Doctors Hospital in critical condition by responding EMS. Ms. Joellen Klatt later succumbed to her injuries and was pronounced dead, at the hospital, at 01:42 a.m. The Accident Investigation Unit responded to the scene and initiated an investigation which is ongoing.				
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