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One dead in North Kitsap crash

NORTH KITSAP, Wash. -- Kitsap County Sheriff's traffic deputies are investigating a three-vehicle fatality collision that occurred Friday night in North Kitsap.

Location: 24900 block of Pioneer Way NW, between NW Seahorse Way and NW Parma Flats Way, in unincorporated North Kitsap, north of Poulsbo.

Time & date: reported at 9:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 18.

Responding agencies:

Law enforcement: patrol deputies and traffic investigators from Kitsap County Sheriff's Office.

Fire: Engine and medic units from Poulsbo Fire Department (PFD).

Involved:

Vehicle #1: 1987 Ford pick-up truck.

Driver: male, age 61, North Kitsap resident.

Vehicle #2: 1968 Ford pick-up truck.

Pedestrian associated with this truck: male, declared deceased at the scene by PFD medics. The Kitsap County Coroner's Office has identified this person as Kelly Michael Hogan, age 46, a North Kitsap resident.

Vehicle #3: 1998 Chevrolet sedan.

Driver: male, age 55, a North Kitsap resident. This driver was arrested and booked into jail on a charge of vehicular homicide. Bail was set at \$100,000.

No other persons or vehicles were involved.



Looking northbound on Pioneer Way NW at the collision site. The 1968 Ford pick-truck is in the center of the roadway, with the 1987 Ford truck in the ditch to the right.

Synopsis:

Although the investigation is in its early stages, a preliminary report indicates the driver of the 1987 Ford truck failed to negotiate a turn into a private driveway and drove into a drainage ditch on the northbound side of the roadway.

The bed of this vehicle protruded into the northbound lane of travel.

This driver walked to his nearby residence and retrieved a second vehicle, a 1968 Ford pick-up truck, and asked a friend, Kelly Hogan, for help.

The two returned to the roadway and were in the process of attempting to use the '68 Ford to pull the '87 Ford out of the drainage ditch. Both trucks were occupying a portion of the northbound lane of travel.

The 61-year-old male was in the '68 Ford truck while Mr. Hogan was standing outside of the '87 Ford truck near the driver's door.

The third vehicle, a 1998 Chevrolet sedan, approached the scene from the south, heading northbound, and collided with the bed of the '87 Ford, causing it to rotate and strike Mr. Hogan, and then continue into the rear of the '68 Ford.

The force of the collision knocked Mr. Hogan to the side of the roadway. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The driver of the Chevrolet sedan was investigated for driving under the influence of alcoholic intoxicants. Under authority of a search warrant blood samples were obtained from this driver for toxicological testing. Results of the laboratory tests are pending.

The Chevrolet driver subsequently was arrested and booked into the Kitsap County Jail on a charge of vehicular homicide.

The county's forensic pathologist will conduct an autopsy of Mr. Hogan, scheduled for Oct. 22. The Kitsap County Coroner will issue a determination as to the cause and manner of death.

Pioneer Way NW was closed to thru traffic for more than three hours while traffic deputies conducted their investigation.

Persons who may have witnessed any part of this incident or who may have information regarding this investigation are requested to contact sheriff's traffic investigator Deputy Rob Corn, at: e-mail: rcorn@co.kitsap.wa.us or telephone: 360-337-4634.

Reference: case report K19-010624.

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