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Motorists Involved in Fatal Crash on US 395 at Riverview Drive Identified

The family members of the driver who was killed in the two-vehicle crash this past Monday evening in Douglas County, and the female passenger who was injured in the event, have been notified. 31-year-old Jaron W. Malone of Carson City died from the injuries he sustained in the crash which took place at approximately 10:05 pm Monday evening near the intersection of US 395 and Riverview Drive, just south of Gardnerville. Mr. Malone's right front passenger riding in the blue 1994 Ford Contour 4-door sedan he was driving, 21-year-old Tianne F. Sam of Topaz Lodge, was injured in the crash and was flown to Renown Regional Medical Center shortly after the collision. She was treated for her injuries at the hospital and was released sometime early yesterday morning.

Moments before the crash happened, Malone was pulling out from the driveway of the 7-Eleven® store near Riverview Drive and US 395 and failed to yield to a white 2006 Mercury Mountaineer SUV traveling southbound on US 395 that had the right of way. As he attempted to cross the southbound lane prior to turning left to travel north, the left side of his sedan was struck by the front of the SUV driven by Jeremy T. Reineman from Coleville, California. Mr Reineman had his wife Jessica and their three young children riding in the vehicle and only the parents sustained very minor or claimed injuries in the event and were treated at the scene by emergency responders and not transported to a medical facility.

As a result of the collision, two travel lanes were blocked and temporary traffic control was facilitated by personnel from the Nevada Department of Transportation while troopers completed their on-scene portion of the investigation. All travel lanes were completely re-opened shortly after midnight.

Alcohol is suspected to have impaired the driving abilities of Mr Malone that evening. The Nevada Highway Patrol's Major Accident Investigation Team (MAIT) is investigating this crash and Trooper Doug Hildebrand is the primary investigator for this case. Witnesses, or those with additional information, are encouraged to contact him at (775) 689-4623 or at dhildebrand@dps.state.nv.us regarding case number NHP-130107791.

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