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Media Release

Las Vegas Driver Killed After Vehicle Rollover

On Sunday, September 18, 2016 at approximately 11:40 a.m., Troopers from the Nevada Highway Patrol were dispatched to a single vehicle rollover on southbound Interstate 15.

The preliminary investigation details indicate that a silver 2008 Toyota Avalon was southbound on IR15, south of Craig Road in the right travel lane. For unknown reasons the vehicle went off the roadway to the right and entered the dirt area. The vehicle began to rotate and struck support posts for a highway sign. The vehicle continued south where the front of the vehicle struck a tree causing the vehicle to overturn.

The single occupant was transported to University Medical Center-Trauma by North Las Vegas Fire and Rescue. A short time later the male driver succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased at UMC.

The driver was identified as 53 year old Archie Blankenship from Las Vegas, Nevada.

This marks the Nevada Highway Patrol-Southern Command's 48th fatal crash resulting in 52 fatalities for 2016.

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