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Genoa Township Police Department Investigate Fatal Crash

On Sunday, August 2, at approximately 11:30 p.m. Genoa Township Police and Fire Departments were dispatched to the scene of a serious one-car crash in the 5500 block of Red Bank Road. Upon arrival they found a 2004 BMW SUV that had rolled over multiple times with five occupants inside.

The driver and the front seat passenger were transported to the hospital in critical condition. The remaining three who had been sitting in the back seat sustained non-life-threatening injuries. All five occupants were 17-year-old rising seniors at New Albany High School.

The following afternoon, police were informed that the front seat passenger, Michael Lucey, had passed away at Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital. The driver remains in critical condition at Mt. Carmel East.

"Our thoughts and prayers go out to the teens involved, their families, and the New Albany community," said Chief of Police Stephen Gammill. "Genoa Township's officers and paramedics are heartbroken over the death of the crash victim".

This is the first traffic fatality in Genoa Township since 2012. A preliminary investigation indicates that speed and alcohol likely played a role in the accident. All passengers had been wearing seatbelts. Further investigation of the crash is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact the police dispatch center at 740-833-2800.