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Gurnee Fatal Traffic Crash

Gurnee – On February 10, 2020, at approximately 7:20 PM, Gurnee Police responded to the area of Route 41 and Route 21 for a traffic crash with injuries. Gurnee officers arrived and located a 2011 Mitsubishi Endeavor and a semi-truck with extensive damage.

The initial investigation shows the Mitsubishi, driven by a 70-year-old woman of Wadsworth, Illinois, was involved in a hit and run accident near the intersection of Fuller Road and Stearns School Road, approximately a half-mile northwest of Route 41 & Route 21. The Mitsubishi rear-ended a 2008 Nissan carryall before driving away from the scene. The occupant of the Nissan sustained minor injuries, and Gurnee Fire transported them to a nearby hospital.

Following the hit and run accident, the driver of the Mitsubishi continued southbound on Route 41 toward the intersection of Route 21. For an unknown reason, the driver of the Mitsubishi entered the intersection and collided with a semi-truck attempting to turn left from northbound Route 21 onto Route 41. The semi-truck driver, a 49-year-old male of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was transported to a nearby hospital following the crash. He did not have life-threatening injuries.

The driver of the Mitsubishi was transported to a nearby hospital and pronounced deceased later that evening.

Investigators with the Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT) responded to the scene and aided with the crash investigation. An autopsy is scheduled with the Lake County Coroner's Office on Tuesday.

This crash remains under investigation by Gurnee Police.