



Press Release

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AGENCY: CARVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
SHERIFF: JASON KAMERUD (808gp)
CLASSIFICATION: FATAL MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENT
LOCATION: HOLLYWOOD TOWNSHIP
TELEPHONE: 952-361-1212

Carver County Sheriff Jason Kamerud reports that on June 6th, 2020 at 3:18 pm, his Office received a 9-1-1 call/ report of a personal injury accident involving a motorcycle and passenger vehicle on the 2600 block of County Road 21 in Hollywood Township. Sheriff's deputies arrived and found both drivers sustained injuries in the crash. Mary Ardolf, age 61, of Silver Lake, MN, was treated by Ridgeview paramedics for non-life-threatening injuries.

The operator of the motorcycle, identified as Dean Hecksel, age 49, from Mayer, MN was pronounced deceased at the scene.

During investigation, it was learned Hecksel was traveling north bound on County Road 21, lost control of his motorcycle, swerved into oncoming traffic. Hecksel's motorcycle struck a passenger sport utility vehicle traveling southbound. According to a witness, the front end of Hecksel's motorcycle "jiggled" when passing another motorcyclist and then lost control resulting in the crash with the vehicle driven by Ardolf.

This matter remains under investigation by the Carver County Sheriff's Office who was assisted by the Minnesota State Patrol, Ridgeview Ambulance, and Midwest Medical Examiner's Office.

If you need assistance from police, fire or medical personnel call 9-1-1. Anyone with information related to an incident or crime is asked to contact the Carver County Sheriff's Office at 952-361-1212. After hours, call 952-361-1231.

To remain anonymous, you may leave a message on the tip line: 952-361-1224. You may also use the tip form on the Sheriff's Office website at: <http://www.co.carver.mn.us/departments/county-sheriff/crime-prevention/crime-tips>