

Update: Fatal Crash Investigated; Name Remains Withheld

(KAIR)--The identity of an Atchison man who died Wednesday in a double vehicle Platte County, Missouri crash may not be known until Friday.

Sgt. Jeffrey Shanks, of the Platte County Sheriff's Department, tells MSC News the family of the man has been notified, but the department's policy is to wait up to two days to make the information public.

Shanks says the identity should be made available no later than Friday morning.

The 51-year-old Atchison resident died after he lost control of his El Camino while traveling Wednesday morning on Missouri Highway 92.

The Sheriff's Office says his eastbound vehicle slid across the westbound lane of the highway and was struck by a westbound car.

The driver of that vehicle, a 33-year-old Platte City man, required hospital treatment.

Slick roads were occurring at the time of the crash, and the preliminary investigation indicates weather may have been a factor.

However, the official investigation findings have not yet been released.

Editor's note: the original published version of this story is below.

(KAIR)--An Atchison resident is dead, killed Wednesday morning in a two vehicle Platte County crash.

The Platte County Sheriff's Office, in a press release, identifies the victim only as a 51-year-old man.

According to the release, he was driving his Chevy El Camino eastbound on Missouri Highway 92, east of Bethel Road, in central Platte County.

He lost control of the vehicle, which sent it into a sideways slide across the westbound lane of the highway, where it was struck by a westbound Buick Century.

The driver of that car, identified as a 33-year-old Platte City man, suffered non-life-threatening injuries, and was transported for hospital treatment.

The names of those involved are not yet made public. According to Sgt. Jeffrey Shanks, the names will be released no later than Friday morning.

The wreck happened shortly after 7:30, a time when dense fog, combined with morning temperatures, caused slick roads across the region.

The Sheriff's Office says that while the preliminary investigation indicates weather conditions may have been a contributing factor, the crash investigation is ongoing, conducted by the Sheriff's Office Crash Team.

Assisting the Sheriff's Office in handling the fatal wreck were Platte City Police, Fire, and EMS.

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