

Trash truck driver killed in Jefferson Co wreck

(KNZA)--The body of a missing trash truck driver and truck were recovered from the Delaware River in Jefferson County Saturday.

The Kansas Highway Patrol reports 32-year-old Bernard Singleton, of Topeka, was westbound on U.S. 24 Highway around 11:00 Friday morning when he lost control of the truck west of Perry due to the inclement weather and road conditions. The truck struck the guard rail of the bridge and overturned into the water, where the truck submerged.

Jefferson County Sheriff Jeff Herrig told WIBW-TV that Deffenbaugh Industries contacted the sheriff's office Friday evening to report that Singleton had never returned from his route.

A search was launched for him Friday evening and resumed Saturday morning.

The Sheriff's Office used his phone to ping him to the location.

The Overland Park Police Department dive team assisted in the recovery efforts.

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