



# MEDIA RELEASE



Bloomington Police Department & McLean County Coroner's Office

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## *Fatal Traffic Crash*

Bloomington, IL - On Sunday, 11/03/24, at approximately 7:49 p.m., Bloomington police officers were dispatched to the area of Fox Creek Road and Beich Road, for a traffic crash. Upon arrival, officers observed the crash scene and began their investigation. Due to the severity of the crash, the McLean County Accident Reconstruction Team was called to the scene.

Initial reports indicate a sedan with two occupants was traveling westbound on Fox Creek Road. The vehicle collided with a sedan traveling eastbound on Fox Creek Road. The single occupant of the eastbound vehicle suffered non-life-threatening injuries. The driver of the westbound sedan abandoned the vehicle and left the scene. The passenger, a twenty-seven-year-old female, was transported to a local hospital where she was later pronounced deceased. An autopsy is pending.

The driver who left the scene, Michael Mitchell, was located at a nearby apartment complex. Mitchell was arrested and later transported to the McLean County Detention Facility.

Arrested: Michael C. Mitchell, 25, of Bloomington, IL

- Reckless homicide
- Failure to report an accident involving death
- Failure to report an accident involving injury
- Driving on a revoked license
- Failure to give information/render aid in an accident involving injury or death (2 counts)
- Improper passing in a no passing zone
- Unlawful use of weapons/felon possess/use firearm prior (2 counts)

All suspects are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in the court of law.

The circumstances behind this incident are still pending investigation by the Bloomington Police Department, the McLean County Accident Reconstruction Team, and the McLean County Coroner's Office. Anyone with information should contact Detective Tyrel Klein at 309-434-2366 or [Tklein@cityblm.org](mailto:Tklein@cityblm.org).

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The tip line is not monitored 24/7. The CIAU office is staffed from 8am-4:30pm, weekdays. If no one is available to answer your call, please leave the information on the voicemail or send it by e-mail.

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