



Village of Mount Prospect **Press Release**



MOUNT PROSPECT POLICE INVESTIGATING FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH

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On August 18, 2026, at approximately 10:05 AM, Mount Prospect Police Officers responded to the intersection of Northwest Highway (Route 14) and Mt. Prospect Road for a serious traffic crash with entrapment. Upon arrival, officers located a Ford SUV overturned on its roof in the intersection and a Toyota sedan also involved in the crash. The driver and passenger in the Ford SUV were extricated by the fire department and transported to Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge. The passenger of the Ford, identified as Gerald Meyer, 93-years-old of Chicago, succumbed to his injuries at the hospital and died. The driver, a 75-year-old female from Arlington Heights, sustained non-life threatening injuries. The driver of the Toyota sedan, a 91-year-old female from Mount Prospect, was transported to a local hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

The preliminary investigation revealed the Toyota sedan was traveling southbound Mt. Prospect Road approaching the intersection with Northwest Highway, when it entered the intersection and collided with a Ford SUV that was traveling northwest bound Northwest Highway. The collision caused the Ford SUV to roll over and come to rest on its roof.

This fatal traffic crash is currently being investigated by the Mount Prospect Police Department Major Crash Investigation Team. The intersection of Northwest Highway and Mt. Prospect Road was closed during the investigation and reopened at approximately 3:30 PM. The Mount Prospect Police Department requests anyone who may have witnessed the crash or has any additional information to contact the department's Major Crash Investigation Team at 847-818-5301.

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