



# Allen County Coroner

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## PRESS RELEASE

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To: All Media Outlets  
From: Michael Burris  
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The Allen County Coroner's Office was notified of the Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash located in the 1800 block of West Jefferson Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana during the late evening hours of February 20, 2017.

The crash is currently being investigated by the Fort Wayne Police Department, the Allen County Coroner's Office and the Allen County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

One of the three vehicles involved in the crash caught fire, and at the scene of the crash, it was determined that the driver and passenger of the vehicle had died at the scene. The bodies were extracted from the wreckage and transported to the NEIFC for autopsy and identification purposes. Due to the significant thermal damage to the bodies, visual identification is not possible. Other means of identification are to be used. Once positive identification has been made, and next of kin has been notified the identities of the deceased, and the cause and manner of death, will be released.

Michael Burris  
Chief Investigator  
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