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The Allen County Coroner's Office was notified of the fatal traffic crash located in 200 block of East Pettit, Fort Wayne, Indiana at about 20:20 hours on 2/17/19.

The deceased has been positively identified and the next of kin has been notified of Richard M. Papazian, male white 65 years of age of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The Cause of Death has been determined to be Multiple Blunt Force Injuries due to Motor Vehicle Crash and the Manner is Accident.

This incident remains under investigation by the Fort Wayne Police Department, the Allen County Prosecutor's Office and the Allen County Coroner's Office.

Richard M. Papazian is the 5th fatal motor vehicle crash in Allen County for 2019.

The two individuals who died in the motor vehicle crash on Stellhorn Road have not been positively identified at this time. We are still working on making the positive identification through dental records.

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