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The Allen County Coroner's Office was contacted and advised of the fatal motor vehicle crash which occurred on at about 05:15 hours on October 12, 2020. The crash occurred in the 11900 block of Bluffton Road.

The Allen County Coroner's Office was notified of the death of William E. Copeland III, male white 32 years of age, from Bluffton, Indiana. William E. Copeland III was the driver of a motor vehicle involved in a head on crash with a semi-tractor trailer. William E. Copeland III was transported from the scene to a local hospital where death was pronounced a short time after arrival.

The Cause of Death is Blunt Force Injuries due to Motor Vehicle Crash and then Manner of Death is Accident.

William E. Copeland, III is the 25th fatal motor vehicle crash in Allen County for 2020.

This remains under investigation by the Allen County Sheriff's Department and the Allen County Coroner's Office.

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