



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 09/21/2017
Complaint Number: 17-246643
Type of Incident: Fatal Crash
Reporting Officer: Deputy VanHouten
Supervisor Approval: Sgt. Luce

UPDATE:

The individual who died in the crash was identified as Lucas Yonker, age 21, of Alto, Michigan.

The operator of the dump truck was identified as Arthur Nash Jr., age 50, of Lansing, Michigan. The dump truck is owned by Snyder Asphalt and was conducting operations in the area.

ORIGINAL:

On 09/21/2017 at approx. 1145 hours the Kent County Sheriff's Office responded to a serious injury crash at the intersection 68th St and Cherry Valley Ave SE, in Caledonia Township. The investigation reveals that a pickup truck operated by a 21 year old Kent County resident turned westbound onto 68th St from northbound Cherry Valley Ave. An eastbound dump truck, operated by a 50 year old Lansing resident, crossed the center line and struck the pick up shortly after the pickup truck made its turn. The operator of the pickup truck was the sole occupant of the vehicle. He died at the scene of the crash. The driver of the dump truck sustained non-life threatening injures and was transported to the hospital.

Alcohol is not believed to be a factor.

Crash remains under investigation.