



News from the Shelby County Sheriff's Office

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Motorcycle Crash Victim Identified

Sheriff's Deputies say a Memphis man was the victim in this afternoon's motorcycle crash on Houston Levee Road in east Shelby County.

Sheriff's Office Traffic Investigators say Kyle Houck, 24, was killed when his Suzuki motorcycle topped a hill on Houston Levee Road and crashed into the back of a car just south of Country Way Drive East.

Houck's motorcycle hit a 2000 Buick Century driven by Terry Franseen. Franseen, 50, of Collierville, had stopped with other motorists for a minor traffic crash at the intersection about 130 yards away.

Franseen and his 14-year-old son were not hurt. Both were wearing their seat belts.

Deputies say Houck was apparently not aware traffic had come to a stop and couldn't avoid hitting Franseen's vehicle.

Houck was pronounced dead a short time later at Baptist Hospital in East Memphis. Deputies believe speed was a factor in the crash.

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