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FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH INVESTIGATION

On March 27th, 2025, at approximately 3:02 p.m., Stephenson County Sheriff's Office personnel responded to the area of Baileyville Rd. and Lamm Rd. in rural Freeport for a report of a two-vehicle traffic crash with an unresponsive occupant.

The results of the preliminary investigation indicate that a gray 2019 Dodge Journey driven by a 73-year-old man from Orland Hills Illinois disregarded a stop sign while traveling eastbound on Lamm Rd. and was struck by a truck tractor semi-trailer that was traveling northbound on Baileyville Rd. The 73-year-old man from Orland Hills was pronounced deceased at the scene. The driver of the truck tractor semi-trailer, a 33-year-old Lanark Illinois man, was not injured.

The traffic crash remains under investigation by the Illinois State Police Traffic Crash Reconstruction Unit and an autopsy is pending.

The Stephenson County Sheriff's Office would like to acknowledge assistance with this incident that has been provided by the Freeport Rural Fire Department, Star Ambulance, the Stephenson County Coroner's Office, and the Illinois State Police Traffic Crash Reconstruction Unit.

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