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UPDATE – FATAL TRAFFIC CRASH – W. LORAN ROAD

The Stephenson County Sheriff's Office is releasing additional information regarding the fatal traffic crash that occurred during the early morning hours of September 7, 2026, on W. Loran Rd. in rural Stephenson County.

The driver of the vehicle has been identified as Tyson C. Clark, age 22, of Pearl City, Illinois. Clark sustained severe injuries in the crash and passed away during transport to a medical facility.

The rear-seat passenger has been identified as Travis L. Kaney, age 25, of Freeport, Illinois. Kaney remains hospitalized with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

The front-seat passenger has been identified as Kade R. Knoup, age 25, of Pearl City, Illinois. Knoup remains hospitalized with life-threatening injuries.

As previously released, the preliminary investigation indicates that the vehicle was traveling eastbound on Loran Rd., east of Lott Rd., when it struck multiple cattle that were in the roadway before leaving the roadway and coming to rest in the ditch on the north side of Loran Rd.

The crash remains under investigation by the Stephenson County Sheriff's Office. Additional information may be released as it becomes available.

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