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FHP25ON0437408

Case Number

9/16/2025

Incident Date

12:48:00 PM

Incident Time

Volusia

County

Location: US-1 AND I-95 NORTHBOUND EXIT RAMP

TROOPER CANO

Crash Investigator

CORPORAL REED

Homicide Investigator

<u>1</u> Vehicle #	<u>Sport Utility Vehicle</u> Vehicle Type		
Driver:	<u>M</u> Gender	<u>40</u> Age	Of <u>MIAMI</u> City <u>FL</u> State
Injuries: <u>None</u>	Next of Kin Notified <u>N/A</u>	Seatbelt/Child Restraint <u>UNK</u>	Helmet <u>N/A</u>
Passenger:	<u>M</u> Gender	<u>22</u> Age	Of <u>MIAMI</u> City <u>FL</u> State
Injuries: <u>None</u>	Next of Kin Notified <u>N/A</u>	Seatbelt/Child Restraint <u>UNK</u>	Helmet <u>N/A</u>

Passenger:	<u>M</u> Gender	<u>38</u> Age	Of <u>POMPANO BEACH</u> City <u>FL</u> State
Injuries: <u>None</u>	Next of Kin Notified <u>N/A</u>	Seatbelt/Child Restraint <u>UNK</u>	Helmet <u>N/A</u>

<div>2</div> Vehicle #	<div>Sedan</div> Vehicle Type		
Driver:	<div>F</div> Gender	<div>71</div> Age	Of <div>ORMOND BEACH</div> City <div>FL</div> State
Injuries: <u>Fatal</u>	Next of Kin Notified <u>Yes</u>	Seatbelt/Child Restraint <u>UNK</u>	Helmet <u>N/A</u>

Narrative:

V1 (2025 CHEVROLET SUBURBAN) WAS ACTIVELY FLEEING FROM FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE (FCSO) DEPUTIES ON US HIGHWAY 1 AND BEGAN TRAVELING THE WRONG WAY ON THE I-95 NORTHBOUND EXIT RAMP. V2 (2017 VOLKSWAGEN BEETLE) WAS TRAVELING ON THE I-95 NORTHBOUND EXIT RAMP TO US-1. V1 DRIVER WAS TRAVELING THE WRONG WAY. AS A RESULT, THE FRONT OF V1 STRUCK THE FRONT OF V2. V2 DRIVER WAS AIRLIFTED TO HALIFAX HEALTH HOSPITAL AS A TRAUMA ALERT AND LATER PRONOUNCED DECEASED.

POST-COLLISION, V1 DRIVER FAILED TO REMAIN AT THE SCENE, FLEEING ON FOOT INTO THE ADJACENT WOODS, WHERE HE AND TWO PASSENGERS WERE APPREHENDED BY FLAGLER AND VOLUSIA SHERRIF'S OFFICE DEPUTIES. FHP INVESTIGATORS ARRIVED ON-SCENE TO CONDUCT THE TRAFFIC HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION AND ARRESTED V1 DRIVER (STEVENS CHARLES, AGE 40 OF MIAMI) FOR THE FOLLOWING FHP CHARGES AND BOOKED HIM INTO THE VOLUSIA COUNTY JAIL:

- 1 COUNT: FLEEING AND ELUDING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER
- 2 COUNTS: AGGRAVATED FLEEING AND ELUDING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – RESULTING IN A DEATH
- 1 COUNT: LEAVING THE SCENE OF A TRAFFIC CRASH – RESULTING IN A DEATH
- 1 COUNT: FELONY MURDER
- 1 COUNT: RESISTING ARREST WITHOUT VIOLENCE

PLEASE REACH OUT TO FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AND ST. JOHNS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE REGARDING THEIR ADDITIONAL CHARGES ON V1 DRIVER AND V1 PASSENGERS. THIS CRASH REMAINS UNDER INVESTIGATION.