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PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Sergeant First Class assigned to the United State Army Reserve, Denver, Colorado, on active duty for operational support (ADOS) orders in support of the Joint Task Force-National Capital Region (JTF-NCR), 59th Presidential Inauguration, died in a PMV-4 mishap 4 February 2021 in Clay County, Indiana, at 1725 local. The Soldier departed his duty location (JTF-NCR) on official leave and was driving through Indiana to Colorado Springs, Colorado, for his next ADOS assignment. His vehicle hit a semi-truck, resulting in a rollover. Initial reports suggest the Soldier's speed at the time of the mishap was 80 mph. He was wearing his seat belt and was reportedly not under the influence of drugs or alcohol. The Soldier suffered multiple injuries and was transported to the local regional hospital before later being transferred to another medical center for higher-level care. Six days later, the attending physician determined the Soldier to be brain dead and was pronounced dead shortly after.

Since FY16, the Army has had an average of eight Class A aviation flight mishaps and lost an average of seven Soldiers per year to on-duty aviation mishaps. This was the third Class A aviation mishap of FY21 and below the number of similar mishaps during the same time period last year.

PLRs are intended to be used as an engagement tool for leaders to discuss the hazards and trends impacting Soldier safety and readiness. The PLR contains only basic information but provides sufficient background to allow leaders an opportunity to communicate risk at the Soldier level. More detailed information on this and other Army mishaps can be found on the U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center website at <https://safety.army.mil/lessonslearned>.

To access current U.S. Army accident statistics and reports, visit <https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.

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