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## PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A Chief Warrant Officer 2 assigned to Fort Hood, Texas, died in a PMV-4 mishap 3 November 2021 in Gatesville, Texas, at 1530 local. The Soldier's vehicle hydroplaned into oncoming traffic and was struck on the passenger side by a civilian vehicle. The Soldier and driver of the other vehicle were both transported to the local hospital and admitted to the level one trauma unit. The Soldier had significant brain swelling and underwent surgery to relieve the pressure. Following surgery, the Soldier had no measurable brain activity and the family decided to remove him from life support. The Soldier was pronounced dead on 8 November. The specific circumstances of the mishap, including use of seat belts, speed, and alcohol or drugs as contributing factors, are unknown at this time. The safety/unit points of contact are waiting for local law enforcement to release their final report.

**Since 2017, the Army has lost an average of 36 Soldiers a year to off-duty PMV-4 mishaps. This mishap was the second PMV-4 fatality of FY22.**

*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>.*

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<https://safety.army.mil/STATISTICS>.**

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