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PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

An Active Guard Reserve Staff Sergeant assigned to the Army National Guard, Hazen, Arkansas, died in a PMV-4 mishap 12 November 2021 in Bowie County, Texas, at 1940 local. The Soldier was operating her vehicle when a tractor trailer struck her rear bumper. As a result, she lost control and struck a concrete barrier. She was transported to the local medical center and pronounced dead upon arrival. It is unknown who notified 911. The specific circumstances of the mishap, including speed, the Soldier's use of a seat belt, and alcohol or drugs as contributing factors, are also unknown. The safety/unit points of contact are waiting for the Arkansas State Police 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 fifth 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>.

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

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Additional U.S. Army Combat Readiness Center PLR resources can be found on the USACRC website at <https://safety.army.mil/PLR>.

