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# PMV-2 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 27-year-old Staff Sergeant assigned to Tampa, Florida, died in a PMV-2 mishap 22 February 2022 in Winter Park, Florida, at 1530 local. Initial witness reports indicate the Soldier was traveling east when he swerved into the left turn lane to avoid stopped traffic. He then turned back into the through lane, lost control, hit a curb and drove into a restaurant parking lot. Florida State Troopers reported that the motorcycle struck the side of the building, ejecting the Soldier through the restaurant's window, resulting in his fatal injuries. He was pronounced dead at the local hospital. The Soldier was wearing the required personal protective equipment and completed the mandatory Motorcycle Safety Foundation training. Alcohol or drugs as contributing factors are unknown. The safety/unit points of contact are waiting for the Florida Highway Patrol to release its final report.

Since 2017, the Army has lost an average of 25 Soldiers a year to off-duty PMV-2 mishaps. This mishap was the 11th off-duty PMV-2 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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