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PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

A 30-year-old Staff Sergeant assigned to Shaw Air Force Base, South Carolina, died in a PMV-4 mishap 12 March 2022 in Eastover, South Carolina, at 2230 local. The Soldier reportedly rear-ended a civilian pickup truck at a high rate of speed, causing his vehicle to flip into the median. The Soldier sustained fatal injuries. The pickup truck ran off the left side of the road into the median. It is unknown who notified 911. The specific circumstances of the mishap, including the Soldier's use of a seat belt and the involvement of alcohol or drugs, are also unknown. The unit/safety points of contact are waiting for the South Carolina Highway Patrol to release its final report.

Since 2017, the Army has lost an average of 36 Soldiers a year to PMV-4 mishaps. This mishap was the 10th PMV-4 fatality of FY22 and below the number of fatalities for 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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