



Police Department News Release

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Date: 5/19/2020

- **Type of Crash:** Multiple Vehicle Crash
- **Date of Crash:** 5/19/20 **Time of Crash:** 11:48am
- **Location of Crash:** 3300 Catawba Valley Dr.
- **Investigating Officer:** POIII M. Banks
- **Victim Name(s):** Jerry Lee Broughman II
- **Victim Age:** 31
- **Victim Residence Location:** New Castle, VA
- **Suspect Name(s):** Heather Renee Jones
- **Suspect Age:** 34
- **Suspect Residence Location:** New Castle, VA
- **Charges if Applicable:** Pending
- The road was blocked to traffic
- Alcohol and/or drugs may have been a factor, see narrative.
- Seatbelts information listed in narrative.
- Weather was not a factor in the crash.
- **Additional Remarks:** On Tuesday May 19, 2020, a Jeep SUV driven by Heather Jones was traveling northbound on Catawba Valley Dr. in Roanoke County. A Mini Cooper driven by Jerry Broughman was traveling southbound on Catawba Valley Dr. The Jeep crossed the double yellow line and struck the Mini Cooper head on. All occupants were wearing their seat belts. The driver of the Jeep and two passengers from the Mini Cooper were transported to the hospital. Mr. Broughman was pronounced dead at the scene. Drugs may have been a factor in the crash. The investigation is ongoing, and charges are pending.

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