



Police Department News Release
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Date: 7/16/2020

- **Type of Crash:** Single Vehicle Crash
- **Date of Crash:** 7/16/2020 **Time of Crash:** 7:54pm
- **Location of Crash:** 6100 Merriman Rd
- **Investigating Officer:** POII C. Russ
- **Victim Name(s):** David Ferguson
- **Victim Age:** 58
- **Victim Residence Location:** Roanoke, VA
- **Suspect Name(s):**
- **Suspect Age:**
- **Suspect Residence Location:**
- **Charges if Applicable:**
- The road was blocked to traffic
- Alcohol and/or drugs may have been a factor, see narrative.
- Seatbelts were worn by the victim(s).
- Weather was not a factor in the crash.
- **Additional Remarks:** On Thursday, July 16th 2020, a 2012 Toyota SUV driven by David Ferguson was traveling southbound in the 6100 block of Merriman Rd in Roanoke County when it ran off the right side of the road and struck a tree. Mr. Ferguson was wearing a seat belt, but was pronounced dead at the scene. Speed along with alcohol may have been a factor in the crash, and the investigation is on going.

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