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## 72nd Traffic Fatality

11/26/ 2023

Occurrence Date: 11/05/2023

Time: 03:43 hours

Day: Sunday

**Location: I-10 West MM 17 (east of Executive)** 

Vehicle 1: 1997 White Ford F150

Driver 1: 69-year-old Michael Harris, El Paso, TX (Deceased)

El Paso, Texas—The Special Traffic Investigators Unit of the El Paso Police Department responded to The West Side Regional Command (WSRCC) to assist with a rollover collision with life-threatening injuries. On Sunday, November 5th, at 3:43 a.m., Harris was involved in a single-vehicle rollover collision on I-10 West near Executive.

According to the preliminary investigation, Harris was driving a 1997 White Ford F150 when, for an unknown reason, he veered right and side-swiped the quard rail. He then over-corrected, causing the vehicle to skid across all the westbound lanes of I-10 West and struck the center concrete barrier. The vehicle rolled over at least once before resting on the #2 lane.

Harris sustained life-threatening injuries and was transported to UMC by FMS. Unfortunately, he succumbed to his injuries on November 16th.

Special Traffic Investigations was called out to assist WSRCC with the incident and will continue investigating the crash's cause.

This collision is the 72nd traffic fatality of 2023. Last year on 11/20/2022, there were 66 traffic fatalities.

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