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**NEWS
RELEASE**

10/20/2026

55th Traffic Fatality

Date: 10-19-2026 **Time:** 10:33 AM

Location: Loop 375 MM 19 / North Desert Blvd, El Paso, Texas

Unit #1: 2007 Mack Tractor Truck

Driver 1: 53-year-old Jose Gerardo Cazares, a resident of Laredo, TX.

Unit #2: Semi-Trailer (Over ME)

Unit #3: 2019 Toyota RAV4

Driver 3: 67-year-old Ruben Regalado Marquez, Clovis, NM, resident

Front Passenger 3: 62-year-old Luz Rodriguez, Clovis, NM, resident

Rear Passenger 3: 65-year-old Jorge Alvarado, Clovis, NM, resident

Rear Passenger 3: 66-year-old Edelmira Alvarado, Clovis, NM, resident

Unit #4: 1993 Ford F-150

Driver 4: 54-year-old Juan Torres, Chaparral, NM, resident

Unit #5: 2022 Chevrolet Colorado

Driver 5: 42-year-old Rene Dario Perez-Ramirez, West El Paso, TX, resident (**Deceased**)

Unit #6: 2026 Ford F-350

Driver 6: 46-year-old Ellena Morales, Northeast, El Paso, TX, resident

Unit #7: 2020 Subaru Forester

Driver 7: 44-year-old Liesl Mary Carol Hypki, St. Baraboo, WI, resident

Front Passenger: 48-year-old Shilo Dawn Cain

Rear Passenger: 33-year-old Kirsten Kurvits

Rear Passenger: 49-year-old Adriana Magdalena Chinolla

Unit #8: 2008 GMC Sierra

Driver 8: 54-year-old Isaac Arellanes, West El Paso, TX, resident

EL PASO, Texas- The El Paso Police Department responded to an eight-vehicle crash Monday morning involving a fatality. The Special Traffic Investigation unit responded to Loop 375 and North Desert. The preliminary investigation revealed that the truck tractor pulling a semitrailer was traveling southbound on Loop 375 approaching the intersection of North Desert. The driver reported brake failure and, as a result, proceeded through the intersection of North Desert. The semi continued south, sideswiping Unit 3 and pushing the vehicle into Unit 4 at the intersection of South Desert. The semi then struck Unit 5, killing the driver at the scene. The Semi continued south, striking Unit 6, pushing it into Unit 7. Debris from the impact struck Unit #8. The driver of Unit #6 reported serious injuries. This is the 55th Traffic Fatality compared to 51 at this same time last year. The investigation continues...

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