



The Redding Police Department For Immediate release

Incident Type: Fatal Motor Vehicle Crash
Incident Date: 4/5/2014
Incident Time: 0139 AM
Incident Location: Umpawaug Road near Mallory Lane

Deceased: Gugsa Dabela
Age 35
Redding , CT

Vehicle: 2004 Mercedes SUV

Redding Police Officers responded to a 911 call for a motor vehicle crash on Umpawaug Rd in Redding (near its intersection with Route 107). Upon arrival, officers located the above motor vehicle which was involved in a crash and had rolled over. Officers located the operator - and sole occupant of the vehicle - (Dabela) who was still inside of the vehicle and who was deceased from a single gunshot wound to the head. A firearm (semi-automatic handgun) was recovered at the scene.

At this time it does not appear that there is anyone else involved in this incident and that the gunshot wound was self inflicted. The Medical Examiner's Office responded and an autopsy is scheduled for today.

This incident is currently under investigation by members of the Redding Police Department Major Accident Investigation Team.

Anyone with information, who might have witnessed this crash or saw Mr. Dabela earlier in the day is asked to contact Sgt Peter Quinn (203) 938-3400.//

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