

STUTSMAN COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE

June 16 Update:

Driver No. 1: Damien Smith, 48, Bismarck, fatal injuries

Passenger No. 1: Jaicee Peach, 30, Bismarck, serious injuries

Passengers 2,3,4: Juveniles: no additional information will be released

What: Fatal crash

Where: I-94, mile marker 254 (two miles west of Jamestown)

When: June 14, 2026, 6:38 p.m. central time

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Dry

Crash Involvement: Single vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, Stutsman County Sheriff's Office, Jamestown Fire Department, Jamestown Area Ambulance, Jamestown Rural Fire Department, Sanford AirMed, Avera Careflight

Vehicle No. 1: 1998 Chevrolet S10

Driver No. 1: Male, 48, Bismarck, fatal injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use

Passenger No. 1: Female, 30, Bismarck, serious injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use

Passenger No. 2: Juvenile, serious injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use

Passenger No. 3: Juvenile, serious injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use



Passenger No. 4: Juvenile, minor injuries

Restraints: No seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: On Sunday June 14, 2026, a Chevrolet S10 was eastbound on I-94 near Jamestown. The S10 ran off the roadway into the median and corrected back onto the roadway. The driver lost control and overcorrected after re-entering I94 and ran off the roadway and overturned in the median. The driver died at the scene; two juvenile passengers were transferred to Sanford Health-Fargo via Sanford Airmed; an adult passenger was transported via Avera CareFlight to Sanford Health-Fargo; and another juvenile was transported to Sanford Health-Fargo by Jamestown Ambulance.

The crash remains under investigation by the North Dakota State Patrol.

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Notice: No additional information regarding the juveniles will be provided.

Updates to media releases will be posted on the NDHP website:

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