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MCLEAN COUNTY FATAL CRASH UPDATE

June 8 Update:

Driver No. 1: Clinton Jerkovich, 48, Mercer, fatal injuries

What: Fatal crash

Where: Highway 41, mile marker 23 (two miles south of Mercer)

When: June 7, 2026, unknown time (early morning hours)

Road Conditions: Dry

Weather Conditions: Dry

Crash Involvement: Single vehicle

Type of Crash: Rollover

Agencies Involved: North Dakota State Patrol, McLean County Sheriff's Office, McLean County Ambulance, McLean County Coroner

Vehicle No. 1: 2016 Chevrolet Cruze
Driver No. 1: Male, 48, Mercer, fatal injuries
Restraints: No seat belt in use

NARRATIVE: On June 7, 2026, during the early morning hours at an unknown time, a Chevrolet Cruze was traveling northbound on Highway 41 near mile marker 23, two miles south of Mercer. A passerby observed the crash scene at approximately 5:58 a.m. and called 911. The vehicle failed to negotiate a curve and rolled. The driver was not wearing a seat belt and pronounced deceased at the scene.

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

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