



Hanover County Sheriff's Office
Colonel V. Stuart Cook, Sheriff



News Release

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Last night the Sheriff's Office responded to a single vehicle fatality accident on Goshen Road in Beaverdam.

At 6:22 p.m. last night, Hanover 911 received a call that a vehicle was submerged in the Little River at the Goshen Road bridge. Volunteer firefighters and deputies arrived minutes later and a rescue was attempted, however, due to the low water temperature and the swift moving current, it was clear that any effort would be fruitless.

Deputies from the Sheriff's Office Underwater Forensic Team arrived shortly thereafter and entered the frigid water. They found one victim in the vehicle, 45 year old Robert Terry of Ancient Acres Road in Beaverdam.

Preliminary investigation reveals that Mr. Terry had been traveling south on Goshen Road in his Mazda sedan when it ran off the left side of the road just feet before the bridge. As the vehicle left the road, it flipped over and came to rest on its roof in approximately four feet of water. It appears at this time that the accident occurred yesterday morning when Mr. Terry was on his way to work.

This accident remains under the investigation of the Sheriff's Office Crash Investigation Team. The Sheriff's Office asks the community to keep the Terry family in their thoughts and prayers as they cope with this tragic accident.

Colonel V. Stuart Cook
Sheriff