Albuquerque plane crash victims identified

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ALBUQUERQUE – At around 4:30 pm on Oct. 16, New Mexico State Police responded to a report of a downed aircraft west of Albuquerque.

State police, with the assistance of the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Office, Albuquerque Fire Rescue and local first responders, located the plane in a field about 10 miles west of Double Eagle airport.

The pilot Michael Vavrek, 68, and passenger Judy Vavrek, 67, both of Albuquerque, were killed in the crash and pronounced deceased on scene by the Office of the Medical Investigator.

NTSB and FAA investigators were on scene Oct. 17 to investigate the crash. Inquiries into the cause of the crash should be made to federal investigators.