

Two from Zuni die in I-40 crash

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A man and woman from Zuni Pueblo died yesterday in a mid-afternoon crash on Interstate 40.

New Mexico State Police responded to the scene at about 2:30 pm, near mile post 31, east of Gallup.

The initial investigation indicated that a 1986 Ford Bronco was traveling east on I-40, and reasons still under investigation, the vehicle left the roadway and rolled.

There were four people in the Bronco.

Latoya Dee Aisetewa, 24, and Leonard Benedict Aisetewa, 21, both of Zuni, N.M. were ejected from the vehicle, sustained fatal injuries, and were pronounced dead on the scene by the Office of the Medical Investigator.

A 54-year-old woman was ground transported to an area hospital, and a 72-two-year-old woman was airlifted from the scene. Their injuries and current conditions are unknown.

Alcohol does not appear to be a contributing factor in the crash and seatbelts were not properly utilized. The crash is still under investigation with no additional information currently available.



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