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Fatality Accident

UPDATE 1. April 27, 2023 - The vehicles involved in the traffic crash were a 2011 Dodge Avenger driven by Merrienne Echols, 51 of Camdenton. Echols was pronounced deceased at Lake Regional Hospital. The 2nd vehicle involved was a 2013 Buick Regal driven by Edward A. Colburn 18, of Linn Creek. Colburn and a juvenile passenger in his vehicle were transported to Lake Regional Hospital.

Osage Beach Police Department with the assistance of the Missouri State Highway Patrol Major Crash Investigative Unit will continue to investigate the crash.

Osage Beach, MO – On April 26, 2023, at approximately 8:48 p.m. The Osage Beach Police Department responded to a 2-vehicle traffic crash on Westbound U.S. Highway 54 at the 123.2-mile marker.

At this time the crash is still under investigation with assistance from the Missouri State Highway Patrol Major Crash Investigation Unit. One driver has died from injuries sustained in the crash. At this time the deceased has not been identified pending notification of next of kin.

The Osage Beach Police Department was assisted by the Osage Beach Fire Protection District, the Lake Ozark Fire Protection District, the Mid County Fire Protection District, the Miller County Ambulance District, the Missouri State Highway Patrol, the Lake Ozark Police Department, and the Missouri Department of Transportation.

Further information will be released as it becomes available.

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