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**Traffic Crash Fatality** 

**October 31, 2016** 

AGENCY: Normal Police Department

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Yesterday morning, October 30, 2016, just before 3 a.m., members of the Normal Police and Fire Departments responded to a report of a single motorcycle crash on Shelbourne Drive, approximately a quarter mile east of Towanda Avenue. Upon arrival, officers met with a witness who directed them to the location of the crash. Due to the severity of the injuries, the motorcyclist was immediately transported to Advocate BroMenn Medical Center where he later died from injuries sustained in the crash.

Pronounced deceased at 1509 hours on October 30, 2016, was Zachery C. Stephens, age 28, of Normal, Illinois. Preliminary findings indicate that Mr. Stephens died from blunt injuries due to a single motorcycle accident. Toxicology results are pending.

The Normal Police Department, with assistance from the McLean County Sheriff's Department Accident Reconstructionist, processed the crash scene. Normal Police, in conjunction with the McLean County Coroner's Office are completing the investigation into the factors that led to the crash.

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