

## Winnebago County Sheriff's Department



## **News Release**

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## **FATAL ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION**

On April 1, 2022 at 4:19a.m., Winnebago County Sheriff's Deputies responded to the 2900 Block of South Springfield Road for a reported vehicle on fire. Upon arrival deputies observed a 2007 Saturn Vue on fire in a group of trees. Rockford Fire Department responded and extinguished the fire. The sole occupant, a 29 year old male, was transported by Blackhawk Ambulance to Javon Bea Hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

During the preliminary investigation, deputies determined that the Saturn was proceeding westbound on Springfield Road when the driver lost control, traveled off the roadway through a field before striking a line of trees.

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department is conducting an investigation. No further details are available at this time.