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## 2 dead in Highway 395 crash Friday night in Adelanto

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

Posted: January 12, 2019



CHP officials shut down the highway for a full investigation. (Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

ADELANTO, Calif. (VVNG.com) — Two people were killed in a head-on crash on Highway 395 in Adelanto Friday night.

The crash was reported at about 10:35 p.m. January 11, 2019, just south of Shadow Mountain on U.S. Highway 395.

**San Bernardino County Fire**, AMR, and the California Highway Patrol responded to the crash where they found two vehicles with major front-damage and debris scattered on the roadway.

CHP officials told Victor Valley News that one person from each vehicle was pronounced deceased, and another person was airlifted to a trauma center.

The vehicles, a Cadillac Xt5 SUV and a white Toyota Corolla, had collided head-on.

According to the CHP incident logs, a caller reported that one of the involved drivers was driving reckless prior to the crash and was passing over double solid yellow lines.

Highway 395 in the immediate area will be close for several while the California Highway Patrol Investigate.

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## Man shot in parking lot of Michael's Liquor in Victorville

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(Gabriel D. Espinoza, Victor Valley News)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A man was airlifted to a trauma center after he was shot in the parking lot of Michael's Market & Liquor Saturday morning.

At about 11:10 am, on January 12, 2019, Victorville deputies responded to the 14800 block of El Evado Road reference a shooting.

Officers arrived on scene and located a male victim suffering from a gunshot to his chest and life-saving measures were performed on the victim.

**San Bernardino County Firefighters** requested county helicopter H325 to land at Brentwood Park and they subsequently airlifted the male to an out of area trauma center. His condition remains unknown.

Sheriff's officials confirmed there was some type of altercation outside the store and one person was shot.

A Victor Valley News reporter spoke with a witness who said the altercation started inside the store and the men were asked to leave by the owner.

According to the witness, both men continued arguing in the parking lot and one of the men pulled a gun and shot the other male in the chest.

The witness said, after the shooting the suspect ran from the scene.

Deputies have taped-off the shopping center parking lot and are conducting an investigation. Sheriff's spokeswoman Jodi Miller said the suspect is described as a black male and no arrest has been made. This is a developing story and additional information will be updated as it becomes available.

The Victorville Police Department is handling the investigation and anyone with information is asked to call (760)241-2911.

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## **93-year-old woman killed in crash on I-40 near Ludlow**

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(VVNG.com File Photo)

LUDLOW, Calif. (VVNG.com) — A 93-year-old woman from Alta Loma died as a result of injuries sustained in a rollover traffic accident on Thursday afternoon, officials said.

It happened at about 3:32 pm, on January, 10, 2019, on the westbound I-40 at mile marker 65 near Ludlow.

According to the San Bernardino County Coroner's office, the driver of a 2015 Toyota Rav4 failed to negotiate a curve, entered the center divider and struck several large rocks.

Scanner traffic reported the vehicle rolled over an unknown amount of times and CPR was in progress on one of the occupants.

First responders requested **County Fire** helicopter H325 to respond and land at the scene. California Highway Patrol officers assisted with temporarily shutting down the highway.

The passenger, 93-year-old Betty Stofa was pronounced dead at the scene, coroner officials confirmed.

A male, reported to be in his 70's was airlifted from the scene to Loma Linda University Medical Center, his condition remains unknown.

The Barstow office of the California Highway Patrol is investigating the incident.

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## **Victorville Woman Killed in Traffic Collision**

**Christie Martin, 24/7 Headline**

Posted: January 11, 2019



VICTORVILLE – The 36-year-old Victorville woman killed in a two-vehicle traffic collision on Thursday evening has been identified by family.

April Evett was involved in a traffic collision on Village Drive at Eto Camino Road in the City of Victorville at around 5:53 p.m., on her way home from work. Deputies from the Victorville Police Department responded along with American Medical Response (AMR) and the **San Bernardino County Fire** Department to find two vehicles, a white Kia Optima and a GMC Yukon with major damage.

Evett was driving the Kia and suffered major injuries, she was pronounced deceased at the scene at 6:06 p.m. The driver of the GMC suffered major injuries and was transported to a trauma center. One passenger in the GMC was also transported to a trauma center and the other two passengers in the GMC were not injured as a result of the collision.

Deputies through investigation determined that the white Kia Optima was driving west on Eto Camino Road and the silver Yukon was driving north on Village Drive. Evett crossed the northbound lanes of Village Drive in the path of the GMC causing it to collide with the driver's side of the Kia.

April Evett leaves behind 13 and 17-year-old sons and other family members including a mother, brother, and a sister.

The investigation is ongoing, anyone with information or anyone who may have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy A. Ramos or Deputy A. Hylin at the Victorville Police Station.

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## **Woman killed in crash on Village Drive ID'd as April Evett, 36**

Staff Writer, Victor Valley News

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(April Evett Facebook)

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (VVNG.com) — The San Bernardino County Coroner's Office identified the woman killed in Thursday night's crash as April Evett, 36, of Lucerne Valley.

The two-vehicle crash happened at about 5:53 pm, on January 10, 2019, north of the intersection at Village Drive and Eto Camino Road.

"Upon arrival, deputies determined that a white Kia Optima was driving west on Eto Camino Road and a silver GMC Yukon was driving north on Village Drive," stated a sheriff's news release.

The driver of the Kia, April Evett crossed the northbound lanes of Village Drive and in the path of the oncoming SUV. The GMC collided with the driver side of the Kia, causing major damage to both vehicles.

April Evett was pronounced deceased at the scene at 6:06 pm, officials said. The male driver of the GMC was airlifted to a trauma center with major injuries, his condition remains unknown.

Friend and family are in shock and disbelief as they continue to learn about April's passing.

"Her name was April, and she was a good mom and person, she tried so hard for her son's and her students, she was loved and would've prayed for the people in the other car please God watch over her and the people in the other car. She was a good girl. God help us to understand," stated VVNG.com commenter Terry Ingold.

Anyone with information or anyone who may have witnessed the collision is asked to contact Deputy A. Ramos or Deputy A. Hylin at the Victorville Police Station at (760)241-2911.

<https://www.vvng.com/woman-killed-in-crash-on-village-drive-idd-as-april-evett-36/>

## **Flash flood watch issued for 4 Southern California counties; evacuations urged for Inland Holy fire burn area**

**Richard K. De Atley, Press Enterprise**

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In this file photo, a motorist ignores the road closure and drives through debris into the Glen Ivy RV Park on Temescal Canyon Road in Corona on Thursday, November 29, 2018. (Photo by Jennifer Cappuccio Maher/Digital First Media/Inland Valley Daily Bulletin via Getty Images)

A voluntary evacuation warning and a flash flood watch for the Inland Holy fire burn area was issued Sunday as Southern California braced for more rain, snow, strong winds and high surf throughout the week.

The rain is expected Monday, with the warnings issued ahead of it.

The National Weather Service's flash flood watch will be in effect from Monday afternoon through Monday evening and covers an area that includes Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and San Diego counties, including mountains.

The NWS said the storm could bring heavy rainfall of 1 to 2 inches, and higher in some areas, with rainfall amounts possibly reaching one-half to 1 inch over one hour, with heaviest rates near the coast.

"There is the potential of mudslides and debris flows at recent burn scars, particularly near the Holy fire burn scar," a statement from the NWS said.

The Riverside County Emergency Management Department issued on Sunday afternoon a "should go now" voluntary evacuation warning for several communities in the footprint of the Holy fire, which this summer burned 23,136 acres in Riverside and Orange counties. There was no similar warning Sunday afternoon from Orange County officials for that side of the fire area.

The NWS also issued a winter storm watch for Monday and Tuesday, with snow expected in mountains above 5,000 feet in Riverside and San Bernardino counties and said strong southeast to south winds will move ahead of the system.

No evacuation warning was issued as of Sunday afternoon for the Cranston fire area in the San Jacinto Mountains.

For the lower elevations, the storm is expected to begin at various times on Monday, moving into Los Angeles County after first making landfall in the coastal areas above it during the morning; the storm will hit Orange County and Inland areas in the afternoon.

That one storm will carry two punches, said Los Angeles/Oxnard based National Weather Service meteorologist Kathy Hoxsie. And it will be followed by another system arriving Wednesday and lasting through Thursday, with residual showers likely until Friday.

“This week is going to be wet, mostly light to moderate with heavier rain moving through, with some short breaks of sprinkles or even sunshine,” Hoxsie said in a telephone interview. “But there’s not one day that we don’t expect rainfall” from Monday through Friday, she said.

Dry and warmer weather is expected for next weekend.

Following a storm that dumped rain and snow throughout the area on Friday and Saturday, the NWS warned the coming storms could bring urban floods including mud and debris flows over burn scars, like that possible in the Holy fire area.

Groundwater beneath some streams and rivers might be replenished enough from the recent storm for the waterways to swell, the NWS said.

On Friday, Los Angeles County officials warned residents who lived in the Woolsey fire burn area to stay vigilant during the storms.

“Peak rainfall rates may result in significant mud and debris flow, and we encourage Woolsey Fire survivors to be ready to evacuate at a moment’s notice,” Los Angeles County Fire Chief Daryl L. Osby said in a statement.

Those warnings continued Sunday.

The fire burn areas range from Ventura County into Los Angeles County’s coastal areas and then deep inland, well past Agoura Hills.

A high surf advisory was in effect Sunday through Tuesday night for Los Angeles County beaches and a beach hazard statement for Orange County and San Diego County beaches from Monday afternoon through Friday afternoon, with surf building throughout the week starting at 4 to 6 feet, with 5 to 8 feet on Friday including possible 10 foot sets.

Strong rip currents and minor coastal flooding were among the cautions from the NWS.

<https://www.pe.com/2019/01/13/flash-flood-watch-issued-for-4-southern-california-counties-evacuations-urged-for-inland-holy-fire-burn-area/>