

Updated -- Four injured in Highway 60 crash

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Traffic was backed up for miles in both directions on Highway 60 in Salem near Saddlebrook Trail Wednesday, Oct. 20 due to a three-car accident.

According to a press release by Salem Police Department Major Roy Overshiner, four people were injured, including three adults and one 3-year old.

All four were flown from the scene to Louisville area hospitals by three medical helicopters.

Injured drivers were, Brenna L. McCarty, 30, Pekin. She was driving a 1997 Mercury. She was headed northwest bound. Also injured was McCarty's daughter Addison.

Mickey R. Altemose, 47, of Salem was also injured. He was driving a red 1983 Chevrolet Camaro and was headed Southeast bound from Salem. His car was struck in the driver's side by McCarty's vehicle. It then left the roadway and struck a rock embankment.

Amy Beth Burns, 31, of Salem was the driver of a 2003 Mitsububishi. She was traveling behind Altemose. Her vehicle was struck head-on by the McCarty vehicle.

Conditions of those injured are not known at this time.

Overshiner said Highway 60 was closed for more than two hours as members of the Salem Police Department, the Washington County Sheriff's Department and the Indiana State Police's Accident reconstruction team. The Salem Fire Department as well as Washington EMS services also assisted with the rescue.

Also assisting on the scene were three civilians, two of which were nursing students witnessed the accident and stopped to assist with the child before rescue workers arrived. There was also a man who witnessed the accident who stopped to help.

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