

Deer causes fatal crash on US 150

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On Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at approximately 5:58 a.m., Lt. Ryan Larrimore with the Washington County Sheriff's Department along with Posey Township Volunteer Fire Department and Washington County EMS were dispatched to US 150 in the area of State Road 66 in reference to a type unknown traffic accident.

After emergency units arrived on the scene they discovered Donald R. Harris, 55, New Salisbury deceased.

Another motorist, William Sizemore, 58, Paoli stated he had been traveling East in 150 when a deer ran into his lane of travel. Sizemore stated he struck the deer with his 2003 Volkswagen Jetta knocking it into the path of Harris. Harris was traveling West bound and struck the deer with his 1990 Chevy half ton pickup.

According to a press release issued by Washington County Sheriff Claude Combs, the deer entered through Harris' front windshield, killing him instantly. Harris' vehicle continued traveling west nearly 650 feet where it left the north side of 150. The vehicle then crashed through a woven wire fence and stopped 100 feet north of 150 in a field.