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Milford motorcyclist dies in crash with pickup truck; wife critical

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Lyon Township – Oakland County deputies are investigating a Friday crash that killed a Milford man and left his wife in critical condition.

Gary Cline, 50, was driving his motorcycle westbound on Pontiac Trail just east of Bradford in Lyon Township, shortly before 6 p.m., when he collided with a pickup truck driven by a 16-year-old South Lyon woman, the Oakland County Sheriff's Office said in a news release.

Cline was pronounced dead at Botsford Hospital in Farmington Hills. His wife Donna, 48, who was a passenger on the motorcycle, was listed in critical condition at U-M Hospital in Ann Arbor.

The driver and two passengers in the pickup truck were not injured.

The eastbound pickup "stopped in the road and was attempting to turn left into a driveway," the news release said.

"The driver stated she saw the motorcycle but felt there was time to turn. Witnesses stated that the pickup truck turned right in front of the motorcycle.

"Mr. Cline braked in an attempt to stop. The motorcycle went down and slid into the right side of the truck."

The Lyon Township Fire Department responded.

Alcohol was not a factor and the crash remains under investigation.

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