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Shreveport Police investigate fatal crash

A Shreveport toddler has died after being struck by a sport utility vehicle Wednesday afternoon in west Shreveport.

Just before 4:30 p.m. on September 21, 2016, Shreveport Police patrol officers were called to the 3800 block of Doris Avenue relative to a major accident. Upon officer's arrival, it was learned a 5 year old male child had been seriously injured after being struck by a 2004 Chevrolet Tahoe. The child was taken from the scene of the crash via ambulance, to University Health Medical Center where he succumbed to his injuries.

Shreveport Police Crash investigators arrived at the location and launched an immediate inquiry in the matter. The driver of the vehicle, identified as 32 year old Jimmy Martin of the 4400 block of Long Street in Shreveport, was detained by police officers on the scene at the accident. Based on preliminary information and roadway evidence gathered at the crash site, it appears the child was in the roadway, when he was struck by Martin, who was traveling east bound in the 3800 block of Doris Avenue. As mandated by state law, Martin submitted to toxicological testing. While the accident remains under investigation, impairment on the part of the driver was not immediately expected.

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