Fourth Person Dies Due To Deadly MO Crash

(KAIR)--The driver of the vehicle that authorities say started a chain reaction crash that claimed the lives of three Atchison County residents in Platte County, Missouri has died.

According to the Missouri State Highway Patrol, 71-year-old John Klapp was pronounced dead early Wednesday evening at North Kansas City Hospital.

That's where the Correctionville, Iowa resident was taken following the deadly crash that happened on I-29, at Missouri Highway 92, in Platte City, during the noon hour of May 12.

Klapp's 40-year-old passenger, also from Iowa, was also hospitalized following the deadly crash that claimed the lives of husband and wife James and Lisa Wilson, of Effingham, and Lisa's mother, Carol Wehking, of Lancaster.

The three were laid to rest following a joint service held in Effingham Thursday.

The Patrol says Klapp was southbound on I-29 when his pickup struck the rear of the SUV, driven by James Wilson, that was stopped on the interstate, due to road construction.

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