



# MARSHALL COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



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**Update- New year begins with tragic crash in Marshall County**

Green Mountain, IA - 2017 begins with tragedy as a young Grundy County man has lost his life following a crash early this morning.

January 1, 2017 at approximately 12:30 a.m. Marshall County Deputies and EMS were dispatched to a single-vehicle crash in the 1700 mile of Wallace Avenue in Green Mountain. First Responders arrived on scene and found a car involved in a rollover crash. The driver, Devon Erickson, age 18, of Grundy Center, Iowa was the only occupant. He had been ejected from and pinned by the vehicle during the crash resulting in serious injury.

Green Mountain Fire and EMS, Marshalltown Fire Department and CIH Ambulance worked to extricate and treat Mr. Erickson at the scene. He was then transported by ambulance to Central Iowa Healthcare and transferred by air ambulance to a Des Moines hospital where he later died from his injuries.

Preliminary information indicates that Mr. Erickson was traveling south on Wallace Avenue from Grundy County, failed to reduce speed entering the 35 MPH zone at Green Mountain, lost control while avoiding a rear-end collision with a turning vehicle ahead, left the roadway, struck a pole and overturned. Early evidence also indicates that the driver was not wearing a seat belt at the time of the crash.

The investigation is ongoing, including toxicology reports from the Medical Examiner to determine if there are other contributing factors in this crash.

Additionally, as part of the ongoing investigation, the Sheriff's Office is attempting to determine the whereabouts of Mr. Erickson earlier in the evening and whom he may have had contact with. Anyone with information is encouraged to contact the Communications Center at 641-754-5725, or anonymously through Marshall County Crime Stoppers at any of the following options: 641-753-1234; [www.marshallcountycs.com](http://www.marshallcountycs.com); by text: 274637 (CRIMES), put "Marshall" first followed by the text message.

**About Marshall County Sheriff's Office**

The Marshall County, Iowa Sheriff's Office is led by Sheriff Ted G. Kamatchus. Sheriff Kamatchus is committed to keeping communities and neighborhoods safe in Marshall County.

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