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PRESS RELEASE

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Fatal Collision

Location of Incident: S. Avenue 1E and E. County 15th Street –Yuma, AZ

On Tuesday, January 6, 2026, at approximately 11:27 AM, the Yuma County Sheriff's Office received a report of a two-vehicle collision in the area of S. Avenue 1E and E. County 15th Street

The initial investigation revealed a 2013 Chevy Captiva was traveling northbound on S. Avenue 1E when, for unknown reasons, the driver failed to stop at a posted stop sign. The Chevy collided with a 2005 Jeep Wrangler traveling westbound at the intersection of County 15th Street.

Life saving measures were provided by first responders on scene and Rural Metro transported the two single occupants of the vehicles to Onvida Health where they both succumbed to their injuries.

The driver of the Chevy is identified as Ginger Adell Bradford, 87, of Yuma, AZ.

The driver of the Jeep is identified as Ronald Edward Yowell, 85, of Yuma, AZ.

Next of kin notifications have been made.

This case remains under investigation at this time. It is unknown at this time if impairment is a factor in this collision.

Anyone with information regarding this case, please contact the Yuma County Sheriff's Office at 928-783-4427 or 78-CRIME to remain anonymous. You can also visit our website at www.yumacountysheriff.org to submit an anonymous tip.

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