

Driver Sought in Fatal Modesto Pedestrian Accident

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Crossing a street at night can be a dangerous action to undertake, especially in areas that are not well-lit. Tragically, a woman paid the ultimate price for taking this action last week as she was hit and killed in a Modesto **pedestrian accident**. To make matters worse, the driver fled the scene after the crash, turning this situation into a hit-and-run investigation.

According to police, the latest <u>fatal Modesto pedestrian accident</u> occurred last Tuesday at approximately 10:30 p.m. when 59-year-old Lorna Jean Holbrook was attempting to cross Yosemite Boulevard in east Modesto about 600 yards east of Riverside Drive. As she was crossing, she was struck by what's believed to be a large pickup truck that's dark in color. She was found dead at the scene and the driver has not yet been found.

Stanislaus County Pedestrian Accident Statistics

First, we'd like to express our deep condolences to the family and friends of the woman who was killed. To lose a life in such a sudden and violent manner is always a tragedy. In addition, this fatal **Modesto pedestrian accident** will now become part of the overall statistics regarding **Stanislaus County pedestrian accidents**. Every year, 14 people are killed and another 55 people are injured in these collisions.

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More often than not, the driver in hit-and-run accidents is identified and apprehended. If or when the driver is found who was involved in this accident, he or she will likely face significant criminal charges. In addition to those problems, the driver could also be subject to a **California wrongful death lawsuit**. If such a claim is filed and is successful, the family of the woman who was killed could recover damages that compensate them for medical, funeral and burial costs as well as lost income and loss of companionship. However, since she was not in the crosswalk, the doctrine of California comparative negligence could apply.

If you have lost someone you love to a negligent driver, seek the help of <u>California wrongful</u> <u>death lawyers</u> who have been successfully defending the rights of grieving families for many years. Contact Demas & Rosenthal today to schedule a free initial consultation.

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