



## Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

# MEDIA RELEASE



## FATAL ROLLOVER TRACTOR ACCIDENT Anderson Township

**Anderson Township, August 28th, 2014** – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil reports a fatal accident involving a riding lawnmower which rolled an embankment in the 3100 block of Eight Mile Road.

The Hamilton County Sheriff's Office along with the Anderson Township Fire Department were dispatched in the 3100 block of Eight Mile Road after receiving a 911 call regarding a riding lawnmower which had rolled over an embankment and had trapped the rider underneath it.

Upon arrival, 1st responders located a riding lawnmower lying atop its rider down a 12 foot embankment in a creek. The rider of the lawnmower was identified as Harold Speak ( male 82 of Cincinnati, Ohio ). Mr. Speak received fatal injuries as a result of the accident. A preliminary investigation into the incident revealed that Mr. Speak was mowing at the edge of his property near an embankment when the edge of the soft earthen area gave way. Mr. Speak, along with the riding lawnmower, rolled down the embankment into the creek bed where he was found by his wife and neighbors.

This incident remains under investigation by the Hamilton County Sheriff's Traffic Safety Unit and Criminal Investigation Section.

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