



PRESS RELEASE

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department
Traffic Bureau
Accident Investigation Section - Fatal Detail
702-828-3535

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REPORTING DETECTIVES: T. Jones / S. Lethbridge / T. Hughes / R. Tusko / Sgt. O. Chavez
TYPE OF ACCIDENT: Motorcycle / Pickup/ Semi Truck with tandem trailers
LOCATION OF ACCIDENT: S. Rainbow Blvd / W. Dewey Dr.
DATE OF ACCIDENT: 09-24-09 **TIME:** 7:02 a.m. **EVENT #:** 090924-0886

Number: 1	Motorcyclist: Pending Notification	Injury: Fatal
	Address: Las Vegas, NV	Age: 36 year old male
	Motorcycle Information: 2001 Yamaha	
Number:	Driver: Joseph Girola	Injury: None
	Address: Las Vegas, NV	Age: 74 years old
	Vehicle Information: 2007 Dodge Ram Pickup	
Number:	Driver: Mychal Laury	Injury: None
	Address: North Las Vegas, NV	Age: 43 years old
	Vehicle Information: 2006 Kenworth Semi Truck pulling tandem trailers	

COLLISION DETAILS:

On September 24, 2009 at approximately 7:02 a.m. a motorcycle / pickup / semi truck with tandem trailers fatal traffic collision occurred at the intersection of Rainbow Boulevard and Dewey Drive. Evidence at the scene and witness statements indicate the Dodge was southbound on rainbow in the far left travel lane. The Semi Truck with tandem trailers was also traveling southbound on rainbow in the center travel lane, the Yamaha was traveling southbound behind the Dodge. Traffic was coming to a stop when the rider of the Yamaha failed to keep the motorcycle upright causing it to fall on its right side, both the rider and the motorcycle slid into the rear of the Dodge striking it. The rider was separated from the Yamaha, both veered into the center travel lane and slid under the second trailer where the rider was run over by the rear wheels, the Yamaha was dragged a short distance coming to rest. This is the 63rd traffic related fatality in the LVMPD's jurisdiction in 2009. This collision remains under investigation by the LVMPD Accident Investigation Section.