



OFFICIAL MEDIA RELEASE
KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: 03/13/2017

Complaint Number: 17-212131

Type of Incident: Car/Pedestrian Fatal Accident

Reporting Officer: Deputy M. Tenbrink

Supervisor Approval: Sgt. Mike Hopkins

On 03-13-2017 at approximately 8:45 p.m., Kent County Deputies, Cutlerville Fire, and AMR responded to a car pedestrian fatal accident at the intersection of Division Ave and 72nd St. in Gaines Township.

The investigation revealed that the deceased, who has been identified as 52 year old Michael Lee Merriman of Grand Rapids was attempting to walk east across Division Ave to 72nd Street when he was struck by a Northbound motorist. The 32 year old driver sustained no injuries. Speed and alcohol do not appear to be factors. The crash remains under investigation.