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Subject: TRUCK DRIVER DIES BEHIND THE WHEEL AND CRASHES INTO HOME



On December 3, 2013, at approximately 5:24 AM, the victim, White Hispanic male Julio C. Gomez D.O.B. 08-31-1968, had just loaded up his box truck at work and was making a U-turn in the parking lot when he apparently suffered a massive heart attack. Gomez's truck crashed through a fence and finally came to a stop after hitting a parked car and slamming into the rear of a nearby home.

Moments after the crash, when police and rescue arrived, they noticed the truck's engine was revved up and the wheels were still spinning as it sank into the dirt. Gomez was quickly rushed to Jackson Memorial ER-C, where he was pronounced dead due to cardiac arrest.

Inside the home, a couple slept just feet away from wall that Gomez's truck demolished. Fortunately, they escaped the crash unharmed. However, building inspectors ruled that the structure was unsafe and therefore inhabitable for the time being.

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