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**PUBLIC INFORMATION REPORT  
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
October 25, 2021**

<u>Nature of Release:</u> Motor Vehicle Collision	<u>Date and Time of Incident:</u> October 24, 2021 5:08 PM
<u>Incident Location:</u> Stants Road near Rolling Hills Road South Huntingdon Township	
<u>Person(s) Involved:</u> <b>Decedent:</b> John W. Labasky, Jr., 82 y/o male Address: Meade Street Sewickley Township  Date and Time of Death: October 24, 2021 at 6:00 PM	
<u>Incident Details:</u> <b>Cause of Death: Pending</b>  <b>Manner of Death: Pending</b>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ Westmoreland County Coroner, Kenneth A. Bacha, has released the following information on a motor vehicle collision that occurred in South Huntingdon Township.</li><li>▪ The decedent, John W. Labasky, Jr., was the operator and lone occupant of a 2020, Nissan Frontier, traveling west on Stants Road.</li><li>▪ For an unknown reason, the decedent crossed the centerline into the opposite lane of travel, traveled into a field, and came to rest against a fence.</li><li>▪ Fire department personnel had to extricate the decedent from the vehicle.</li><li>▪ Emergency medical personnel transported the decedent to Excelsa Frick Emergency Department, where he was pronounced dead by a hospital physician.</li><li>▪ The decedent was utilizing a seatbelt at the time of the incident.</li><li>▪ Air bags did not deploy in the decedent's vehicle.</li><li>▪ Cell phone use is not believed to be a factor in the incident.</li><li>▪ An autopsy was performed by Dr. Cyril H. Wecht and Pathology Associates on October 25, 2021.</li><li>▪ Cause and manner of death will be pending autopsy and toxicology results.</li><li>▪ Toxicology results will not be available for several weeks.</li><li>▪ Saloom-Rega Funeral Service of Mount Pleasant will be in charge of arrangements.</li><li>▪ Pennsylvania State Police Belle Vernon Barracks also investigated.</li></ul>	
<b>****No further information is available at this time****</b>	