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Mecklenburg County Detention Officer Dies In Off-Duty Motorcycle Crash

(CHARLOTTE, NC) - The Mecklenburg County Sheriff's Office (MCSO) was notified today that Detention Officer Brandon Thomas, 35 years of age, passed away on Thursday, September 15, 2022 after a motorcycle crash. According to the North Carolina Highway Patrol, Thomas was involved in a single vehicle motorcycle accident on Mount Sinai Church in Shelby, North Carolina at approximately 2:39PM and was pronounced deceased at the scene of the crash. No one else was on the motorcycle and no other cars were involved.

"MCSO is deeply saddened by the loss of Officer Thomas; our hearts, prayers and condolences go out to his family. This came as quite a shock to our organization, and we are deeply saddened by the tragic and sudden death one of our own," says Sheriff Garry L. McFadden.

Officer Brandon Thomas had been employed with MCSO since June 3, 2020, and had worked at the Mecklenburg County Detention Center as a detention officer for the duration of his employment.

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