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Killeen Police are investigating a fatal accident that occurred today, December 20, 2010, at 12:30pm in the 1300 block of W. Stan Schlueter Loop.

The Officers responded after receiving a 911 call about an accident involving a motorcycle and an SUV. Once the officers arrived they located a 33 year old unresponsive male by the silver Yamaha motorcycle and a maroon Ford Expedition occupied by a 39 year old male driver, a 9 year old female and two 7 year old males.

Witnesses told the officers that a funeral procession was being escorted by two motorcycle officers, hired by the funeral home, to escort the procession to the cemetery. They were traveling westbound in the inside lane in the 1300 block of W. Stan Schlueter. The driver of the Expedition turned north from the center left turn lane in front of the officer who was traveling westbound in the outside lane behind the procession. This caused the motorcycle officer to collide with the passenger's side of the Expedition.

The Harker Heights Police Officer Andrew Rameas was airlifted to Scott and White Memorial Hospital where he was pronounced deceased by Justice of the Peace G.W. Ivey at 1:12pm. The 9 year old female inside the Expedition was transported by ambulance to Scott & White Memorial Hospital with non life-threatening injuries. The other occupants in the Expedition were not injured.

This accident continues to be investigated and information will be released as it becomes available.

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