

Limestone Cty Car Wreck Causes Wrongful Death of Local Tanner Icon

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Although any traffic fatality is a tragedy, it is particularly poignant when a life as long as that of Charles Page Sr. ends in a wrongful death. Page was killed in a car accident in Limestone County on Tuesday evening, September 7. He was 96. His daughter Caroline was also seriously injured in the wreck.

The accident occurred around 7:30 p.m. on U.S. 31. According to police, Caroline Page was traveling south on U.S. 31 near the Limestone Co-Op and RJW Manufacturing when another pickup truck rear-ended the one she was driving.

"It was hit from behind and struck a culvert," said Limestone County Coroner Mike West.

Athens Fire and Rescue, Athens Police and numerous ambulances were called to the scene of the car accident, and the southbound lanes of U.S. 31 were closed for more than two hours after the wreck.

Page and his daughter were taken to Athens-Limestone Hospital, where he was pronounced dead. Caroline Page was transferred via MedFlight to Huntsville Hospital, where she has been upgraded to good condition. The driver of the other vehicle was not injured.

Police are still investigating the cause of the car accident and [wrongful death](#). No criminal charges have yet been filed.

"We're investigating the fatality. We've called in specially trained people we bring in to look at these accidents," said Captain Floyd Johnson. "It's a complicated process they go through."

Both Charles Page Sr. and Caroline Page Well Known in Athens-Limestone

Caroline Page is the director of Limestone County Department of Human Resources. Charles Page Sr. was a local icon who farmed in the Tanner area for decades. He was married for almost 60 years before his wife Martha died in 2008, and he is the father of Limestone County Circuit Court Clerk Charles Page Jr.

Charles Page Sr. was widely known for his volunteer work with the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program, the Department of Human Resources and Keep Athens-Limestone Beautiful, among others.

He was profiled by the News Courier in April of last year.

"I couldn't imagine living anywhere but the yellow farmhouse with the gingerbread trim on Page Road," he told reporter Karen Middleton at that time. "I was a farmer because I loved to see things grow. I just got into it and I have no bad memories."

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["Charles Page Sr. killed in wreck; daughter Caroline seriously injured"](#) (Athens News Courier, September 8, 2010)