



# PLR ARMY PRELIMINARY LOSS REPORT

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## PMV-4 Mishap Claims One Soldier's Life

An 18-year-old Private First Class assigned to 32nd Infantry Brigade Combat Team, Wisconsin Army National Guard, died 9 September 2017 at 0630 local in Neenah, Wisconsin. The Soldier was en route to his drill location when he was involved in a PMV-4 crash. He reportedly was not wearing his seat belt.

### ENGAGEMENT TIPS:

- In 2015, seat belts saved an estimated 13,941 lives among passenger vehicle occupants age 5 and older.
- The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that lap/shoulder seat belts, when used, reduce the risk of fatal injury to front-seat passenger car occupants by 45 percent and the risk of moderate-to-critical injury by 50 percent. For light truck occupants, seat belts reduce the risk of fatal injury by 60 percent and moderate-to-critical injury by 65 percent.
- Ejection from the vehicle is one of the most injurious events that can happen in a crash. In fatal crashes in 2015, about 80 percent of passenger vehicle occupants who were totally ejected from the vehicle died.

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