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Fatal Auto Accident

Niles, IL - On March 26, 2016 at approximately 9 pm the Niles Police Department responded to the parking lot in the 9200 block of Maryland for a pedestrian struck by a vehicle. The Niles Fire Department transported the victim to Lutheran General Hospital, where she died, as a result of her injuries.

Investigating Officers learned that the Victim had given the keys to her 2005 Chrysler minivan to her 13 year old grandson to assist her in placing the vehicle into gear. The victim was walking up to the driver's side door which was open. The teen shifted the vehicle into reverse with his foot accidentally on the gas pedal instead of the brake pedal. The vehicle backed up with the driver's side door open and striking the victim.

The NORTAF – Major Crash Assistance Team (MCAT) was called into to assist in the investigation. The Cook County Medical Examiner's Office is investigating the cause of death. At this time the investigation is on-going. The victim of the accident is CHO, Kuem, S., a Female, 79 yoa from Niles.