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Police Investigate Fatal Collision

Casa Grande, AZ – On July 1, 2014 at 8:26 a.m., the Casa Grande Police Department responded to the call of a serious collision at the intersection of Val Vista Boulevard and Pinal Avenue. Upon arrival, Officers discovered a collision scene involving a Blue Mercury Tracer station wagon and a Pinal County water truck. The water truck was driven by 40 year old Rodrigo Leyva, who was not injured. The station wagon was driven by 59 year old Casa Grande resident Jimmy Bertoldo Garcia Jr. Garcia was flown to Maricopa Medical Center for treatment of severe injuries and later died at the hospital.

Investigators on scene determined Garcia was traveling north on Pinal Avenue when he disregarded the red signal light and entered the intersection at Val Vista Boulevard, colliding with the water truck which was traveling eastbound through the intersection. At this time, it is unknown why Garcia disregarded the red signal light and the collision remains under investigation.

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