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PRESS RELEASE

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Garfield County, North DeBeque area ATV Fatality

On Sunday September 20, 2015 the Garfield County Coroner's Office responded with the Garfield County Sheriff's Office to the rural western Garfield County for a report of an ATV accident involving one death.

David S. McDonald, 63, of Grand Junction, CO was pronounced dead by the Garfield County Coroner. Mr. McDonald and his juvenile son were operating separate ATVs and involved in a head on collision with each other. There is no evidence that either ATV operator was wearing a helmet.

The manner of death is being investigated as an accident and the cause of death will likely be attributed to multiple injuries. An autopsy is scheduled for later today. The investigation into the circumstances of the accident is still ongoing by both the coroner's office and sheriff's office. No additional information will be released.

The Garfield County Coroner's offers its condolences to the family and friends of Mr. McDonald.

Respectfully,

Robert M. Glassmire
Garfield County Coroner