Pedestrian killed in South Lake Tahoe

A 49-year-old South Lake Tahoe man was killed Tuesday night when a van struck him as he walked along Highway 50.

The victim's name has not been released pending notification of next of kin.

The highway was closed from Pioneer Trail to Midway Avenue for about three hours starting at 9:15pm Aug. 14.

"The pedestrian was found to be at fault in this collision. He was wearing dark clothing during hours of darkness and was illegally crossing U.S. 50 from the south curb line to the north, outside of a crosswalk," Sgt. Brad Williams said in a press release.

Witnesses told officers they saw another vehicle narrowly miss the man before he was fatally struck.

Anyone with information regarding this accident is encouraged to call the South Lake Tahoe Police Department, at (530) 542.6100.

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