

# Alton man dead following fatal Missouri Crash Saturday morning

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**WEST ALTON** - One man was killed and another was airlifted to **Barnes Hospital** in the early hours of Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017, following a head-on collision on U.S. 67 near West Alton.

According to a crash report from the **Missouri Highway Patrol**, **Thomas Sanford**, 33, of **St. Louis** was traveling southbound in the northbound lanes in a 2014 Nissan Sentra

when he struck **Jerrett Marquis Mitchell**, 24, of **Alton** at 1:45 a.m. Mitchell was pronounced dead on the scene by personnel at 2 a.m. Saturday. Sanford was airlifted to Barnes. Neither man was wearing a safety belt at the time of the crash. Mitchell was driving a 2010 Ford Fusion.

**Alton Police Chief Jake Simmons** confirmed the report from the Missouri Highway Patrol, saying the **Alton Police Department** provided traffic blocking following the incident.

Sanford has not been charged with anything at this time. The report stated he suffered "serious" injuries following the crash.