

# Pickens County Coroner's Office

## Press Release

**Incident Type:** Traffic Fatality

**Incident Date:** April 12, 2003

**Incident Time:** 5:15 PM

**Incident Location:** Intersection of Farr's Bridge Road @ Robert P. Jeanes Road and North Old Cedar Rock Road` Pickens, SC

**Victim:** Louise H. Branyon, age 69  
338 Cartee Road, Liberty, SC

### **Incident Narrative:**

Mrs. Branyon, driver and sole occupant of a 1991 Ford Taurus was fatally injured in a motor vehicle accident, which occurred at the above listed intersection approximately 3 miles east of Pickens. According to eyewitnesses, the Ford Taurus, which was traveling toward Greenville, was attempting a U-turn at the intersection due to road construction on Robert P. Jeanes Road and apparently did not see a Dodge Dakota traveling toward Pickens. The pickup struck the Taurus on the passenger side causing both vehicles to leave the roadway. A third vehicle, which was behind the Taurus, was also struck. The victim, who was wearing a seat and shoulder belt at the time of the accident died at the scene of multiple blunt force trauma. The driver and occupants of one of the other vehicles were transported to Greenville Memorial Hospital. The second driver and another two other passengers were transported to Cannon Memorial Hospital in Pickens. The condition of the injured persons is unknown at this time, however their injuries are not believed to be life threatening. Alcohol or drugs do not appear to have been a factor in the accident.

The accident is still under investigation by the South Carolina Highway Patrol and the Pickens County Coroner's Office.

Phillip A. Snow, Deputy Coroner  
4/13/2003, 0900 hours

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