

Chino woman killed in crash

Karen Guillemet, 21, of 12431 Sycamore, was killed in a traffic collision that occurred on the Pomona Freeway just west of Highway 71 at 1:35 am Saturday, the Highway Patrol said.

Becky Reese, 21, of Ontario, a passenger in the Guillemet car, was taken to Pomona Valley Community Hospital with a complaint of pain, the CHP spokesman said. Miss Guillemet was pronounced dead at the hospital.

The car was eastbound on the freeway and drifted off the pavement onto a grassy area between the freeway's outside lane and offramp, the CHP spokesman said.

The car struck the butt end of a guard rail and catapulted into the air. When the car came down, it skidded into the two outside lanes of the freeway and was struck by an 18-wheel truck-trailer rig, driven by Ralph Hendricks, 55, of Huntington Beach, who was not injured.

Miss Guillemet was ejected from the car, the CHP said. The car was knocked into the dirt center divider.

Miss Reese remained in the car until it came to rest. The truck slid into the guard rail at the right edge of the road.

A special blessing will be given this morning at 10 at St Margaret Mary Church for Miss Guillemet. Entombment will follow at Bellevue Mausoleum in Ontario. A Mass of Christian burial was said Tuesday night.

Miss Guillemet was born May 4, 1960, in Fontana and was a lifelong resident of Chino. She was a member of St Margaret Mary parish, and was employed at Miller's Outpost in Chino. She was a 1978 graduate of Chino High School, where she was a member of the drill team, and yearbook staff, and the winter homecoming court. She was currently attending UC Riverside.

She is survived by her parents Fred and Lucille Guillemet, a brother, John, and her maternal grandmother, Maria Minasso, all of Chino.

Arrangements were handled by Griffith Mortuary.



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