



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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**Date/Time:** March 19, 2023, at about 10:24 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2023-412596  
**Location:** 900 East Grovers Avenue  
**Victim:** 7-month-old fetus, deceased  
**Suspect:** Leslie Yeager, 39-year-old, Booked T831503

## Arrest Made in Fatal Collision

(March 22, 2023) Phoenix police detectives have arrested a woman for a hit and run collision that resulted in the death of a 7-month-old unborn child and the hospitalization of the mother.

On March 19, 2023, at about 10:24 p.m. Phoenix police were called about a collision involving two vehicles in the area of 9<sup>th</sup> Street and Grovers Avenue in north Phoenix. When officers arrived, witnesses directed officers about a half mile down the block to an involved SUV they had followed which had left the scene. Officers detain the driver of that SUV, later identified as 39-year-old Leslie Yeager. Phoenix Fire responded to provide medical help to the adult female driver and adult female passenger of the second car. The driver was taken to a local hospital with non-life-threatening injuries and the 7-month pregnant passenger was taken to the hospital with serious injuries that resulted in the death of her unborn child.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation and learned that the collision occurred when the SUV was traveling east on Grovers Avenue and struck the front of the passenger car attempting to turn south on 9<sup>th</sup> Street.

After the collision, Yeager left the area and was followed by witness where officers detained her. Detectives later processed Yeager for driving under the influence, manslaughter and other felony charges. Yeager was booked into Maricopa County Jail under booking number T831503.

*Sergeant Brian Bower*  
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