

# **Pickens County Coroner's Office**

## ***News Release***

**Type of Death:**            **Fatality – Motor Vehicle**

**Victim:**                    **James Albert Lewis, 60**  
                                     **104 Bonefield Drive, Simpsonville**

**Location of**  
**Incident:**                **Highway 183, Pickens**

**Date/Time:**            **July 24, 2004, approximately 0022**

**Narrative:**

At the above date and time, Mr. Lewis was the driver of a 1999 Grand Prix and he was traveling west on Highway 183 towards Six Mile at a high rate of speed. Pickens Police Department was pursuing his vehicle as he fit the description of the man that had just robbed Mosley's Store. As he was traveling back in the direction that he had come from he wrecked right in front of the store that was just robbed. He passed over into the oncoming lane to pass a vehicle when he hit an Isuzu Rodeo head on. Mr. Lewis was pronounced dead at the scene. It appears that he died from Blunt Force Trauma. The three passengers in the Rodeo were transported to Greenville Memorial Hospital for treatment. The autopsy will be done at Greenville Memorial and Toxicology will be done. The investigation is being conducted by South Carolina Highway Patrol, Pickens County Sheriff's Office, Pickens Police Department and the Pickens County Coroner's Office.

**Kandy Kelley, Deputy Coroner**

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