



# ***BRPD News Item***

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## Update 05-26-14

Baton Rouge Police Traffic Investigators have charged THOMAS MOORE III, 24 of 6424 Dutton Ave in connection with the fatal crash on 05-23-14, which killed LAHISHA WALLS.

After receiving an anonymous tip from the community, it was learned that MOORE was driving a 2004 Chevrolet Monte Carlo northbound on Airline Hwy in the right outside lane. MOORE then attempted to change lanes, not observing the Toyota Avalon which WALLS was driving. As WALLS swerved to avoid a collision with MOORE, she crossed the median into oncoming traffic. MOORE refused to stop after the crash.

MOORE has been charged with Felony Hit and Run, Driving on Roads Laned for Traffic and Drivers Must be Licensed.

MOORE was later booked into the East Baton Rouge Parish Prison.

## Original 05-23-14

LAHISHA WALLS, 37, 12487 ROBBIE AVE, died from injuries sustained in a traffic crash that occurred at 9516 Airline Hwy around 8:10am this morning. Walls was driving a Toyota Avalon north bound on Airline Hwy and crossed the median into oncoming traffic. Walls was struck on the passenger side by a Mac 18-wheeler.

Walls died at the scene. Both drivers were wearing seatbelts.

This crash is still under investigation and no pending charges.