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**Truck driver charged in fatal 2014 Miller Place hit and run**

A Sound Beach man, arrested today for leaving the scene of a fatal hit and run that claimed the life of a Miller Place mother, has pleaded not guilty in district court, Suffolk County District Attorney Thomas Spota said.

Following an investigation by the Suffolk PD's Vehicular Crime Unit detectives, a grand jury indicted Christopher Campbell, 35, of 381 North Country Road, for leaving the scene of an accident involving a fatality, a class "D" felony punishable by a maximum imprisonment of seven years.

District Attorney Spota said the victim, Tracy Mangino, 40, was walking eastbound when she was struck in front of 362 North Country Road by a white box-truck on Saturday night, October 18, 2014. A passing motorist stopped and called 911 but Ms. Mangino died of her injuries at Mather Memorial Hospital in Port Jefferson 11 days before her 41<sup>st</sup> birthday.

"Vehicular Crime Unit detectives canvassed the neighborhood and were successful in gathering evidence, including video footage of the driver's truck leaving the scene," District Attorney Spota said.

Campbell has pending drunk driving and leaving the scene of an accident charges from 2012 when he was arrested in the village of Port Jefferson after he sideswiped a parked car on East Main Street early on the morning of June 30. Campbell allegedly tried to leave the scene on foot but was arrested by a Suffolk police officer assisted by the village constable.

State Supreme Court Justice Fernando Camacho set cash bail at \$50,000 with a \$100,000 bond.



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