Police ID man killed in New Hampshire police shooting

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FULL TEXT

EPPINGMan, 40, killedin police shooting

Police say a gun was found in the hand of a 40-year-old man who was shot to death by a state trooper during a roadside encounter.

Authorities say that at about 6:45 p.m. Saturday, police received a report of an erratic driver on state Route 101. A trooper spotted the pickup truck about 15 minutes later stopped off Exit 6 in Epping.

Police say that when the trooper approached the vehicle "an encounter ensued" in which the trooper discharged his firearm, killing Walter Welch, Jr.

Welch, the sole occupant of the pick-up, died at the scene. The trooper, whose name was not released, was placed on administrative leave. An autopsy is scheduled for Monday.

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