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## **I-80 crash kills Avoca woman**

Virginia Sievers, 26, of Avoca, Iowa, was killed Aug. 19 when her car collided with a semitrailer truck in an Interstate 80 construction zone west of Des Moines.

The accident happened shortly after 6 p.m. in an area where the interstate was reduced to two lanes.

The Iowa State Patrol said an eastbound semitrailer truck driven by Philip E. Schultz, 52, of Mendota, Ill., jackknifed as he braked for slowing traffic, sending the cab into the path of Sievers' car. Charges are pending following results of an investigation.

Sievers was pronounced dead at the scene. Schultz was treated for injuries at a Des Moines hospital and released.