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**PRESS RELEASE**

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On Saturday, May 6, at 10:19 a.m., the Sioux County Sheriff's Office investigated an all-terrain vehicle (ATV) accident that occurred at 3177 Eagle Avenue, one-half mile southwest of Rock Valley, IA.

Leon Kooima, age 64, of Rock Valley, IA was driving a 2011 Honda Rancher ATV on a farm property with two children passengers when one of the children unexpectedly pushed the throttle. The ATV accelerated and struck a fence post.

Kooima and passengers Breslyn Kooima, age 8 of Rock Valley and Kullen Hiemstra, age 2, of Sioux Center, IA were transported by the Rock Valley Ambulance to Hegg Memorial Hospital in Rock Valley for treatment of minor injuries.

The ATV sustained approximately \$800 in damage.

The Sheriff's Office was assisted by the Rock Valley Police Department and the Rock Valley Ambulance.